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GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Pvt. Ezekiel Layton, brother of Mrs. Isabelle W. Crews, Route One, Folkston, has recently been awarded a Good Conduct Medal for exceptionally efficient and capable performance of his duties. Pvt. Layton is now stationed in the Aleutian area.

LOCAL BAPTIST PASTOR RESIGNS. Rev. W.B. Hoats, who has served as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Folkston for about two years, tendered his resignation to the congregation at the services Sunday morning to be effective February 1st. He has accepted a call to serve as pastor of the Baptist Church at Reynolds, Ga.

MRS. GEORGE CRAWFORD DIED. Friends throughout the county will learn with deep regret of the death of Mrs. George Crawford which occurred at her home in the St. George community last Wednesday, December 29, following a brief illness. Funeral services and interment took place at Emmaus Cemetery, but details were not available. She was a member of a widely known family in the St. George section and besides her husband, is survived by ten children, among them being Edward Crawford, who was taken a prisoner of war by the Italians in the North African campaign and is now said to be in a German prison camp.

MR. WILLIAM R. SPAULDING DIED. William R. Spaulding, age 84, who served for a long number of years as a caretaker for the Hebard interests on Floyds Island in the interior of the Okefenokee Swamp, died in a Waycross hospital last Tuesday after a short illness. Funeral services were held in the chapel of Mincey Funeral Home with burial in Oakland Cemetery. The rites were conducted by Dr. Durwood Cason of Central Baptist Church. Mr. Spaulding had been retired for the past several years, having been granted a lifetime pension by the late D.L. Hebard. During his years in the swamp, he led a lonely existence, sometimes being out of contact with the mainland or any individual for months at a time.

MRS. STOKES ANNOUNCES CLOSING OF BEAUTY SHOP. Mrs. P.O. Stokes announced this week that her beauty shop operated at her home here for the past several years will be closed for business indefinitely, effective immediately.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS: Effective February 1, 1944 the subscription rate for the Charlton County Herald will be advanced from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per year. This increased rate is necessitated by increased cost of newsprint, operation, distribution and all factors that enter into publication of a newspaper.

TILLMAN NAMED TO HEAD MASONS FOR COMING YEAR. R.C. Tillman as Worshipful Master heads the slate of new officers of the Folkston Lodge No. 193, F & A. M. as a result of the recent annual election. Others who will serve during 1944 are E.C. Aldridge, J.T. Conner, William Mizell, E.B. Stapleton, J.O. Hannaford, J.S. Taylor, E.F.

Allen, J.M. Crews, E.H. Wright and L.E. Mallard. The local Masonic Lodge is in a flourishing condition and reports a successful year during 1943.

FOLKSTON BOYS ENLIST FOR SERVICE IN NAVY. A group of Folkston boys, including Fred Askew, Jr., Joe Huling, David Hathaway and Junior Chesser have enlisted in service in the U.S. Navy and reported Tuesday at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station for assignment for a training center.

MAN FATALLY SHOT IN ENCOUNTER ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT. A Negro man, known here as "Cooter" McKnight, about 25 years old, was shot and fatally wounded early on Christmas night by Gus Austin as a result of an attack alledged to have made by McKnight on Austin. The shooting occurred in the colored section just east of the city.

FORMER MEMBER OF COUNTY BOARD DEAD. Jake Johns, widely known citizen of Hickox, died at his home there last week following a brief illness. Funeral services and interment were held at Hickox with Mincey Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Mr. Johns was an extensive farmer and stock man and was a former member of the Charlton County Board of Commissioners before the creation of Brantley County. He was well known here and had a wide circle of friends who will learn of his death with deep regret.

OSCAR DOWLING, WINOKUR NAVAL STORES MAN, DEAD. Oscar Dowling, age 44, well known naval stores operator in the Winokur section, died in a Waycross hospital Monday after a short illness. He was a native of Winokur, a son of the late Paul C. Dowling and Nancy O'Quinn Dowling. He is survived by one brother, Sgt. Ira Dowling, who is stationed somewhere in England; two sisters, Miss Kate Dowling and Mrs. B.D. Johns. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the graveside in the Dowling Cemetery. W.L. Hinson, Waycross, was in charge of the arrangements.

PVT. NORMAN COMPLETES TRAINING. Completing a five months course in aircraft maintenance and repair at Seymour Johnson Field, N.C., Pvt. First Class William A. Norman was graduated with distinction this week as an aircraft mechanic from that technical school of the Army Air Force Eastern Technical Training Command.

PRIVATE GENE PEARCE VISITS HERE. Pvt. Gene Pearce, who has been stationed at Ft. McClennan, Ala. for basic training, arrived this week to spend a ten day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Pearce. When he returns to duty Pvt. Pearce will report to Fort Meade, Maryland where he has been transferred for final training in preparation for overseas service.

MRS. HATTIE HOWARD IS CALLED BY DEATH. Mrs. Hattie Lou Howard, age 65, died Tuesday at her home in St. George after a brief illness. She was a devoted wife and mother and was loved by those who were privileged to know her and her passing will bring deep sorrow to her many friends. Besides her husband, George C. Howard, she is survived by five sons, Gladys and Gordie Howard, G.L. and R.A. Howard and Howell Howard; one daughter Mrs. B.H. Stowers; two brothers, Jack Dunnaway and Ed Dunnaway; and five sisters, Mrs. Millie Crowzier, Mrs. Ida Simmons, Mrs. Cloie Crowzier, Mrs. Dadie Lupo and Mrs. Emma Dorsey. Funeral services were held at St. George Methodist Church with Rev. F.J. Gilbert of Folkston officiating. Interment was in St. George Cemetery.

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MR. HORACE J. MARR DIED. Funeral services were held Sunday at Marr Cemetery near Folkston for Horace J. Marr, 46, who died at his home in that section Saturday

after a short illness. He is survived by two sons, Clyde and Leo Marr; four brothers, Euley, Odis, Roy and Ray Marr and a sister Mrs. W.B. Allen. The rites were conducted by Rev. Tina Peebles of Kingsland.

MR. WILLIAM DEDWOOD DIED. In the minutes of the county commissioners, it showed where Mincey Funeral Home was paid for this man's funeral, \$50.00. Mrs. J.B. Carter was paid for caring for him, \$11.00. John Banks was paid for ambulance service for him, \$19.20.

HATTON - MIZELL WEDDING. The marriage of Miss Mildred Hatton, daughter of Mr. D.M. Hatton of Odum, Ga. to Sgt. Alton Mizell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Mizell, Sr. took place at the home of Col. A.S. McQueen January 8th. The bride has been teaching school for the past two years. For the past several months Sgt. Mizell has been stationed at Camp Stewart, Ga.

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DEVANT PURVIS AWARDED MEDAL. Aviation Cadet Devant Purvis was recently awarded a Sharpshooter's Medal for efficiency in firing the .45 caliber automatic pistol at Maxwell Field, Ala., an installation of the A.A.F. Training Command.

THREE COLSON BROTHERS IN ARMED SERVICE. [Pictures of three Colson brothers that are in the service: Lt. John V. Colson, Sgt. Wilton E. Colson and Pvt. Hurder F. Colson.]

Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Colson of Waycross, former residents of this county, are serving their country in the armed forces. They are the brothers of E. Pascal Colson who is connected with the Lockheed Aircraft Co., Burbank, Cal. and Shelton E. Colson who is an airplane assembler at the Ford factory in Detroit. All of the boys attended school here and spent the greater part of their lives in this county. Lt. John V. Colson has been in the service twelve months and received his cadet training in Tennessee, Mississippi, South Carolina and Augusta. He graduated as a 2nd Lt. at Albany, Ga. and is now with a student training detachment in Smyrna, Tenn. Sgt. Wilton E. Colson received his training at Camp Swift, Texas and is now serving as a radio operator at Shreveport, La. He has been in the service ten months. Pvt. Hurder F. Colson entered the service in July of last year and has been in training at Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga. He is now stationed at Fort Meade, Maryland. These boys are grandsons of Mr. M. Altman of Folkston.

WADE BUILDING TO BE REPAIRED. A contract was this week signed for extensive repairs, including a complete new roof for the Wade Building [old Arnold Hotel block] located in the center of Folkston's business district, it is announced by C.J. Passieu, joint owner of the property. The building contains five store rooms and all of them have been rented. New tenants will include a 5c and 10c store being established by Mr. Lott, who recently became a resident of Folkston.

MRS. MINNIE LEE DOWLING KNABB DIED. Mrs. Minnie Lee Knabb, age 61, wife of Honorable L. Knabb, prominent naval stores operator of Moniac and a former state senator, died at the home of their daughter Miss Gertrude Knabb, Jacksonville, early Friday morning, following a brief illness. A native of Baker County, Mrs. Knabb has lived there and at Moniac all her life. She was a faithful and devoted member of the Primitive Baptist Church and was widely known over the county. She had a large circle of friends who will learn of her death with deep sorrow. Besides her husband, other survivors include two sons, G. Carl Knabb and Ralph E. Knabb, Charlton County's

Representative in the General Assembly; one daughter, Miss Gertrude Knabb; her mother, Mrs. Emma Dowling; two sisters, Mrs. Ella Taylor and Mrs. Hattie Taylor; two brothers, W.E. Dowling and J. Dowling and two grandchildren, Mary Knabb and Ralph Lawson Knabb. Funeral services were held at Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church near Moniac and interment took place in North Prong Cemetery with Hardage and Sons, Jacksonville, in charge of arrangements.

JUNIOR STEWART FEATURED IN TIMES-UNION. The Jacksonville Times-Union in its Tuesday edition carried a picture of Domingo L. Stewart, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Stewart, who is serving with the US Marines in the southwest Pacific area. Junior is attached to a moving picture detail and the picture showed him busy connecting up wires in the equipment. He has been stationed in the Pacific area for more than a year and has had many months of active service. His many friends here will be glad to learn that he is getting along well at this far-from-home post in the nation's armed forces.

WILLIAM S. SMITH IS CANDIDATE FOR SCHOOL POST. The Herald, just before press time, received the announcement of William S. Smith, former principal of the St. George School, as a candidate for County School Superintendent in the primary election to be held on March 1st. The County Executive Committee, at its recent meeting, ruled that he is eligible to qualify as a candidate. Mr. Smith is at present a teacher of mathematics a Marion Military Institute, Marion, Ala. He writes that he will be in Folkston on January 29th to complete details of qualifying as a candidate in the primary.

MRS. ANNIE E. KNOWLES DIED. Mrs. Annie E. Knowles, 67, died last Wednesday at her home near this city. She is survived by four sons, Jerry, Levi, Ernest and Alfred Knowles of the US Navy, stationed in Egypt; three daughters, Mrs. Jim Sanderson, Mrs. Herbert Huling and Mrs. Charles Floyd, also 37 grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Camp Pinckney Church with burial in Folkston Cemetery.

MISS HELEN WARD TO RECEIVE DIPLOMA. At the end of the first semester of school, Miss Helen Ward completed her work in the Charlton County High School and qualified for a diploma. She has been putting in full time at the shipyard in Brunswick going back and forth daily five days a week during the first semester. Her grades have been in every way satisfactory. All requirements have been met by her for graduation. She has just won a promotion in her work in Brunswick .

DONALD LEE KENDRICK TO REPORT FOR AIR FORCE. Donald Lee Kendrick, who has been a reserve in the Air Force received notice last week to be ready to report for duty immediately. Since the training he will receive is of such nature that he can get school credit there and since his grades are satisfactory, he will be issued a diploma along with the class completing school this year.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of the Citizens Bank of Folkston and Nahunta at close of business on December 31, 1943: Resources: \$1,414,144.48.

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MISS JANE GOWEN TO ENTER NURSES CADET CORPS. Miss Jane Gowen, daughter of Mrs. B.B. Gowen, who has been employed in Odum, Ga. for the past several months will leave Monday for Savannah where she will enter the Nurses Cadet Corps. She was a member of the 1943 graduating class of the local high school and is the second young lady of Folkston to prepare to be a nurse for Uncle Sam.

MR. EDDIE CREWS DIED. Mr. Eddie Crews, one of the county's most widely-known

and highly regarded citizens, who has served as Justice of the Peace of the Winokur district for a long number of years, passed away at his home in Winokur Tuesday after a brief illness of pneumonia. Mr. Crews was stricken with pneumonia Sunday and the attack quickly proved fatal. He was a member of one of the leading families of that section, being the son of the late Mr. Noah Crews, and was known as an upright, honorable and loyal citizen. His death will be a distinct loss to his community. Funeral plans had not been completed late Wednesday pending the arrival of a son, Lois, who is serving in the nation's armed forces in Kentucky. Funeral and interment will very likely take place at the family cemetery near Winokur [Bethlehem]. Besides his wife, survivors include five children, one of them being Miss Lucille Crews, who formerly resided in Folkston and four brothers, Pratt, Luther, Porter and Clyde, who is with the armed services.

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NEW YORK CAMP BURNS DOWN. The New York Camp, a roadside filling station and refreshment stand located about a mile north of Homeland was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon, the main building and its contents as well as the cabins and outbuildings being a total loss. The building was occupied as a residence by R.M. "Duce" Lloyd and family, who were not at home at the time. The establishment has not been operated in recent weeks but Mrs. Penny Carter was employed as caretaker. The fire originated from a burning trash pile. The property was owned by O.E. Raynor.

ALTON CARTER VISITS HOME. Alton Carter, who is attached to a Military Police unit at an army post near San Francisco, Cal., is spending a two-weeks leave visiting his family in the Racepond community.

TRACY - GREENE WEDDING. A wedding marked by simplicity and beauty was that of Miss Ada Byron Tracy, daughter of Mrs. P.C. Tracy and the late Mr. Tracy to Douglas Carlyle Greene, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Greene of Screven, Ga. on January 30 at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E.A. Cushing, Jacksonville. Rev. G.E. Shaffer officiated at the double-ring ceremony. Mrs. Greene is a graduate of Charlton County High School and the St. Luke School of Nursing. Mr. Greene is a graduate of Screven High School, attended Abraham Baldwin College in Tifton and the University of Georgia, Athens. He is a veteran of World War Two and is a recipient of the Purple Heart and the Air Medal.

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LOCAL LIONS CLUB PRESENTED CHARTER AT SPECIAL MEETING. Folkston's newly organized Lions Club was presented its charter at a special meeting last Thursday in the high school dining hall. A dinner was prepared and served by the Home Economics Class and was an enjoyable feature of the event. A large delegation of the Waycross club came to Folkston for the occasion and the charter was presented to Dr. A. Fleming, president of the local organization by H.A. Stallings, associate editor of the Waycross Journal Herald on behalf of the Waycross Lions Club, sponsor of the new Folkston club. Due to extremely bad weather, the attendance was limited to only a few of the charter members and invited guests but the new organization was launched under promising prospects. The new club begins with a charter membership of about 25

and is Folkston's only active civic organization at this time. The first regular meeting of the club was held last night in the Masonic Hall

REV. WATERMAN RETURNS TO SERVE AS PASTOR OF FOLKSTON BAPTIST CHURCH. Rev. R.W. Waterman was back home again Sunday, preaching from the home pulpit as pastor of Folkston Baptist Church by virtue of his acceptance of the church's call to the Folkston pastorate. He will not be able to resume his work here until the first or second week in March.**LOCAL CONVICT CAMP REOPENED.** The State Highway Department's road camp near this city was reopened Tuesday when a crew of Negro convicts was sent here from Covington Camp with Warden W. N. McHan in charge of directing the work. There were only 33 men in the crew reaching the camp Tuesday but officials stated that about 40 additional convicts would be sent here in the next few days.

REGISTRAR'S NOTICE: Please pay your poll tax and register on or before February 21 as this is the final deadline for qualifying to vote in the March 1, 1944 Primary. L.E. MALLARD, Tax Collector.

February 18, 1944

EVERETT HERRIN INJURED AT WORK. Mr. Everett Herrin of Homeland, who works with the forestry crew of Charlton County's TPO was the victim of a very painful accident last week. He drove his tractor against a dead tree, when a limb was knocked off, fell on him, breaking his arm in two places, and otherwise bruising him up. He is reported to be getting along very nicely at the present time.

FIREMAN HORACE EDWARD CREWS VISITS. Horace Edward Crews, now serving as a Fireman First Class on a US Navy war vessel, has returned to the states after a tour of sea duty in the Atlantic. He is the 19 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy H. Crews and is spending his leave here visiting his parents. Since entering the Navy in June, 1942, he has seen anti-submarine warfare in the Atlantic, including convoy duty on destroyers.

February 25, 1944

MR. SOLOMON BURNSSED DIED. Mr. Solomon Burnsed, age 84, member of one of the most prominent and widely connected pioneer families of The Bend section, passed away at his home in Glen St. Marys, Fla. on February 16 after an illness due to the infirmities of age. He had lived all his long life in that area and was one of the most prominent and highly regarded citizens of this community. He was the father of B. R. Burnsed, well known Baker County attorney and County Supt. of Public Instruction. Survivors include two other sons, J.D. and A.D. Burnsed as well as three brothers, J.N. Burnsed, John Burnsed and G.D. Burnsed; one sister, Mrs. Eliza Nipper. Funeral services were held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church of which he was a member. Interment took place in the Mt. Zion Cemetery with Wilson Funeral Home of Lake City in charge of the arrangements.

KIRBY JONES NOW IN NEW GUINEA. The many friends here of Pfc Kirby Jones, who has been stationed in the Hawaiian Islands for the past several months, will be interested in learning he was recently transferred to the New Guinea area. He writes that his new location is interesting but even hotter than his former post.

TO THE VOTERS: Please carry your poll tax receipt with you when you go to vote so that if your name has been left off the list through error, presentation of your poll tax receipt will entitle you to vote. We hope we have not made any mistake, but errors are

always possible. L.E. MALLARD, Tax Collector.

R.H. WILDES VISITS. R.H. Wildes of the Seabees, now attending Aviation School in Virginia, is spending a few days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hattress Wildes.

GEORGE BROCK, HOMER PRESCOTT AND CLYDE BROOKS VISIT HERE. Sgt.

George Brock, Pvt. Homer Prescott and Pvt. Clyde Brooks of Fort Custer, Michigan are spending 15-day leaves here with their families

DAVID LITTLEFIELD VISITS. Pvt. David Littlefield returned to his duties at Mt. Horne, Idaho Monday, after a short visit with his mother, Mrs. J.C. Littlefield.

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SIKES AND SMITH WINNERS IN COUNTY PRIMARY. For the two contested offices in the Primary election Wednesday, one of the incumbents was re-elected and the other lost to his opponent. Sheriff J.O. Sikes was the winner, defeating W.L. Thomas and County School Supt. John Harris was defeated by William S. Smith.

TUCKER OPENS STORE AT MATTOX. L.H. Tucker, who closed his general mercantile business at Mattox several months ago, returned to Charlton County and re-opened his store there Monday to serve the people of that community.

CLYDE GOWEN VISITS FAMILY. E.C. Gowen of the US Marine Corps, stationed at San Diego, arrived here Wednesday to spend a brief leave with family. On the long trip home Clyde traveled by the modern hitch-hiking method, catching an Army bombing plane to Kansas City where he made close connections with another Army plane to Tallahassee. He left San Diego Tuesday and reached Folkston Wednesday night, coming from Tallahassee by bus.

SUWANNEE STORE MOVES ACROSS THE RAILROAD. The Suwannee Store, a grocery, feed, seed, grain and general merchandise concern, operated here as a unit of South Ga. Grocery Co. under direction of C.H. Lewis, manager, this week moved from its former location next door to the Folkston Pharmacy into its new quarters in the corner building of the Wade Block.

MIZELL RESIGNS AS FOLKSTON'S MAYOR. After serving Folkston faithfully as Mayor for the past three years, William Mizell this week tendered his resignation to the City Council effective immediately. He turned over the mayor's duties to Mayor Pro-Tem C.J. Passieu who will be his successor.

March 10, 1944

MAYOR PASSIEU BEGINS NEW TERM. At a special meeting of the city council Monday Mayor Pro-Tem C.J. Passieu took over the duties as Folkston's mayor, succeeding Mayor William Mizell. The city council is composed of John B. Southwell, E.B. Stapleton, Theo Dinkins and H. Russell Johnson.

VICTORY GARDEN PLANTING TIME. The Folkston and Charlton County schools are closed this week for the regular spring vacation and many of the pupils are reported to be taking opportunities to plant their Victory Gardens.

MR. JOHN M. SIKES DIED. John M. Sikes, 72, died at his residence near Folkston last Friday after a short illness. Besides his widow he is survived by three sons, Dan M.

Sikes, Dean R. Sikes and Wendell Sikes of the US Army in Italy; three daughters, Mrs. James V. Yeomans, Mrs. August Merkle and Mrs. E.D. Batten; a brother, Daniel Sikes and twelve grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Sardis Church with burial in Sardis Cemetery. Mincey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ERNEST GIBBS KILLED FOLLOWING QUARREL. Ernest Gibbs, colored, age about 30, was shot and instantly killed by Fred Jackson, colored, at a Negro jook joint near Traders Hill Sunday morning. The fatal encounter is said to have resulted from a drunken quarrel.

POSTAGE RATE CHANGES. Three cents postage will be required on all first class local mail beginning March 26. Effective on the same date, all air-mail postage will be increased to eight cents per ounce. Until March 26 the postage rate for local mail will remain at two cents.

March 17, 1944

MR. COLONEL PETTY DIED. Colonel Petty, who is said to have been 74 years old, passed away at his home in the Cornhouse Creek community Wednesday of last week following an attack of paralysis of which he was stricken two weeks previously. A lifelong resident of Charlton County, Mr. Petty was one of the oldest citizens of the Traders Hill district. He had a wide circle of friends throughout the community who will learn of his death with sorrow. Funeral services were held at the graveside, with interment in Sardis Cemetery.

BABY CURTIS J. ELDER DIED. Curtis J. Elder, seven months old son of Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Elder of St. George, died in a Waycross hospital Saturday. Besides his parents, he is survived by his sister Betty Jane, his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Elder and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. I.T. Hickox. Funeral services were held Sunday at Corinth Church with burial in Corinth Cemetery.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY ORGANIZED. A special meeting of the American Legion Post was held Thursday at the courthouse when an auxiliary for the ladies was organized.

FIVE & TEN CENT STORE

OPENS FOR BUSINESS. The newest enterprise for Folkston is a 5c and 10c store, which is to be opened for business Saturday in the Wade Building under the ownership of Mr. Lott who recently came here from Baxley.

NEW DAUGHTER FOR DASHER FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dasher of Marlow, Ga. announce the birth of an eight pound baby daughter born March 18. The little girl has been named Peggy Elaine. Mrs. Dasher is the former Miss Althea Altman.

MR. CUBA CREWS DROWNED WHILE FISHING. Cuba Crews, age 40, well known resident of the St. George community, met death by drowning when he, in some manner unknown, fell into the St. Marys River while fishing from a boat last Thursday morning. A post mortem examination was conducted by a physician who stated there was no evidence of foul play and that he evidently fell into the river after suffering a heart attack. Funeral services were held in St. George with interment in Boones Creek Cemetery.

CHARLIE ADKINS ENLISTS IN NAVY. C.F. Adkins, formerly engaged in the undertaking business here, has been accepted in the US Navy and is to report for active duty early in April.

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No interesting local news reported in this issue.

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DR. W.R. McCOY BUYS LOCAL HOSPITAL. One of the most important local real estate transfers in recent months was announced last Friday with the purchase of Dr. W.R. McCoy of the home and hospital building of Capt. James L. Sawyer, now serving in the Army Medical Corps in England. Dr. McCoy and family moved to Claxton, Ga. several months ago and they will return to Folkston as permanent residents. The hospital, which has been closed for the past several months, will be reopened.

C.H. LEWIS ENLISTS IN NAVY. C.H. Lewis, manager of the local Suwannee Store, whose family consists of a wife and six children as well as a young sister living in his home, has been accepted for service in the US Navy and expects to be called soon to report for duty. While entering the service will represent a considerable business sacrifice for him, he expresses himself as ready and willing to respond to the call for duty.

RED CROSS COMPLETES OVERSEAS KITS FOR ARMED SERVICES. The local Red Cross chapter has completed preparation of 288 overseas kits. These articles are now ready for shipment to soldiers leaving for overseas service. The kits were made, and most of the contents supplied, by members of the local chapter under direction of Mrs. E.B. Stapleton, production chairman.

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O.K. LOWTHER COMPLETES RADIO COURSE. O.K. Lowther, well known resident of the Winokur district, has completed a course in Practical and Theoretical Radio and Television and has been awarded a diploma from the National Radio Institute of Washington, DC. He finished the prescribed course of technical studies with creditable grades and is to be congratulated upon his achievement. He is a school bus driver for the county school system.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. City Supt. of Schools John Harris announced plans for the Senior High graduation activities. The class this year consists of Annie Lou Boyd, Euretha Carter, Martha Crews, Zilphia Crews, Louise Hendrix, Pauline Herrin, Roswald Johnson, Donald Jones, Donald Kendrick, Bobby Kirkland, Vanice McLean, Pauline Nobles, Bobby Robinson, Marguerite Shivar, Geraldine Taylor, Thelma Taylor and Helen Ward.

WILLETTE THOMPSON TO RECEIVE REGISTERED NURSE DIPLOMA. Miss Evelyn Willette Thompson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W.D. Thompson will complete her training course at Crawford W. Long Hospital in Atlanta and will get her diploma as a Registered Nurse in graduation exercises on April 29th.

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FRESH COWS FOR SALE TO FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN. FitzHugh Murray has asked the Herald to announce that he has a herd of eight fresh milk cows which he

will be glad to sell individually to families with small children who may be needing a dependable source of milk supply. Mr. Murray says he has no particular desire to sell his cows but will do so as a service and convenience to any family needing one. If interested, see him for further particulars.

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FIRE SIREN TO SOUND WHEN INVASION BEGINS. At the moment news is received in Folkston that the long-awaited European invasion has been launched, the city fire alarm siren will be sounded as a signal to our tensely expectant people that the greatest battle in the history of the world has been started. This has been authorized by Mayor C.J. Passieu who warns the public not to become unduly alarmed. The invasion signal will be preceded by two short blasts in order it not be mistaken for a regular fire alarm signal. Mayor Passieu suggests that when the signal is heard, everyone in the community pause in whatever they may be doing at the time for a moment of silent prayer for our boys who will be going ashore on the European beachheads into whatever dangers may await them.

DR. H.H. BOLTON DIED. Dr. Harry Howard Bolton, age 57, passed away Saturday at his Crystal Springs home just across the St. Marys River after a long illness. He was born in Meridian, Miss. and reared in Mobile, Ala. He was a graduate of the class of 1914 of Emory University Medical School in Atlanta. Besides his wife and daughter, Miss Kathryn Bolton, survivors include four brothers and six sisters. Funeral services were conducted from the home and interment followed at Folkston Cemetery. Kyle Morticians, Jacksonville were in charge of burial arrangements.

MR. FRANK NEMETH DIED. Frank Nemeth, age 32, well known and highly regarded resident of St. George, passed away Saturday at St. Luke's Hospital in Jacksonville, following a brief illness. He has been a resident of St. George only a few years but made a wide circle of friends in the community who are deeply grieved by his untimely death. He is survived by his wife and three small children. Funeral services were held at St. George Methodist Church of which he was a member and interment followed in the St. George Cemetery.

TWO ALTMAN BROTHERS MEET IN ITALY. Somewhere in Italy on April 6th Pvt. Raymond M. Altman and Cpl. Hubert H. Altman, Charlton County brothers, had the pleasure of meeting each other for the first time in two years and nine months. They spent seven hours together, during which time they also had lunch together. Raymond has been in the foreign service twenty-six months and Hubert twenty months. Neither of them had seen a familiar face in that time. On April 24, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Altman, received letters from each of them, telling of their meeting. They had three days leave and met each other half way. Pvt. Morris J. Altman, another brother, entered the armed services four weeks ago and is now stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C.

ALLEN-BONNER WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. William R. Allen, Sr. announce the marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Jean, to J.E. Bonner of the Jacksonville Naval Air Station and Atlanta, Ga. The marriage took place April 22nd at the Methodist Parsonage, Rev. F.J. Gilbert performing the double-ring ceremony. Mr. Bonner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Bonner of Carrollton, Ga. and has served in the US Navy for three years.

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TIRE THIEF AT WORK. Local automobile owners have been made jittery this week by a series of bold tire thefts which indicate an accomplished thief or gang busily at work in this community. The systematic collection of auto tires was launched Sunday night when the filling station operated by E.H. Wright was entered and four new tires were stolen. Monday night the garage of William Mizell was broken into but the thief was either frightened away or unable to remove the tires from his cars. At the garage of E.B. Stapleton the thief also failed in his efforts to steal tires. Tuesday night the Chevrolet belonging to Bernice and Marion Pearce was stolen from their garage and was found stripped of its tires and the spare tire was also stolen. The same night the garage of Sidney Robinson was entered and three good tires were removed from his car. The fourth tire, not so good, was left on the car. Since the rationing program was launched the place of business of every tire dealer in Folkston has been broken into and their stocks of tires stolen.

ARGUMENT ENDS WITH KILLING. Robert Stafford, colored, was shot and instantly killed Saturday at Carter's Mill quarters below St. George as a result of an argument with John Spencer over ownership of a phonograph. Details of the fatal encounter were not available but it is said that both men were armed with shotguns.

DAVID LITTLEFIELD COMPLETES TRAINING. Staff Sgt. David W. Littlefield has completed his combat training at the Mountain Home, Idaho Air Field prior to an overseas assignment. He is a tail turret gunner in a Liberator bomber.

TEACHERS OF FOLKSTON SCHOOLS NAMED. The Board of Education Tuesday elected the following teaching staff of the Folkston schools. Administrative Staff: W.L. Brown, Miss Eunice Chute, Miss Mayme Askew and Miss Marion Pearce. Teaching Staff: Mrs. J.D. Roddenberry, Mrs. Myrtle P. Renfroe, Mrs. Kathryn R. Jones, Miss Esther Carter, Miss Eleanor Cockrell, Mrs. B.B. Gowen, Miss Susie Johnston, Mrs. Mildred H. Mizell, Mrs. Georgia L. Brown, Mrs. Willye J. Nicholson, Mrs. Jewell B. Gibson, Mrs. J.O. Hannaford, Mrs. Mary B. Vickery, Miss Emily Stokes, Miss Geraldine Stokes, Mrs. Kate K. Johnson, Mrs. Hilda M. Jones, Mrs. Mary Scott and Mrs. Imogene Sears.

HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT RESIGNS. Miss Dorothy McCrimmon who has served as the county Home Demonstration Agent for the past several months, submitted her resignation, effective immediately, to the Board of County Commissioners. She stated that she deeply regretted giving up her work here, but that her brother has been called into the armed forces, making it necessary for her to return to her home in Mt. Vernon, Ga. to look after his business interests there.

MR. CLARENCE BAGLEY DIED. Clarence Bagley, age about 45, of Miami, a brother of Mrs. J.E. Harvey died in a Ware County hospital Wednesday as a result of a hemorrhage. He had been ill for some time and had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harvey here. Besides his sister, survivors include his wife and a brother, Harry Bagley. Funeral services and interment will take place at Telmore in Ware County.

MARVIN M. GIBSON AWARDED MEDICAL DOCTOR DEGREE. 1st Lt. Marvin M. Gibson, son of Congressman John S. Gibson of Douglas, received his degree as a Doctor of Medicine from Duke University in Durham, N.C. on March 24th. Following his graduation he was commissioned a 1st Lt. of the US Army Medical Corps.

BURNT FORT BRIDGE NOW TOLL-FREE. The Satilla River bridge at Burnt Fort,

located on the short route road between Folkston and Brunswick, which has been operated on a toll basis since its establishment several years ago, was made toll-free by the Board of County Commissioners this week. A movement has been on foot for some time to make this bridge toll-free and it has recently been sponsored by the local Lions Club. It was pointed out that considerable trade from the east side of the river very likely was prevented from coming to Folkston by the toll bridge barrier and the Board decided to discontinue tolls. Receipts from toll charges have been used to pay the expense of operating the draw span. The bridge-keeper [Mr. J.D. Mizell] in the future will be paid by the county, with the bridge opened to free use by the public. This removes the last toll bridge in this area.

STEWART - BIRDSONG WEDDING. Miss Mary Lou Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Stewart became the bride of George Neal Birdsong, of the US Navy, the marriage taking place on April 1st in Waycross. Mr. Birdsong has been serving in the Navy for the past 2 years. He is stationed at the US Naval Air Base in Jacksonville.

May 12, 1944

GENE WILLIAMS VISITS. Eugene Williams who has been serving in the armed forces for the past several months arrived last weekend to spend a leave here with his family. He is stationed at Nashville, Tenn. where he is attached to a Combat Battalion with the Corps of Engineers.

PVT. JAMES WOODROW MILLS STATIONED IN MISS. Pvt. James Woodrow Mills, son of Mrs. Lizzie Mills, has reported at Kessler Field, Miss. and is undergoing Army processing.

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FORMER FOLKSTON RESIDENT, EDWIN SMART, KILLED IN ACTION. Major Edwin Smart, son of Roadmaster Smart of Jesup, has been killed in action while serving in the US Air Forces in Italy. He formerly resided in Folkston, having spent his childhood days in this city. He was a graduate of West Point and had been serving as a combat pilot in the Army Air Force since the beginning of the war.

LAMAR GIBSON FIRST PLACE WINNER IN CONTEST. Lamar Gibson, fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Gibson, was the winner of First Place in a state wide essay contest of the State High School Association held recently in Macon.

GRADUATION AT ST. GEORGE. The St. George School will hold its commencement exercises this week. Members of the graduating class are Evelyn Stokes, Valedictorian, Annette Smith, Salutatorian, Inez Sands, Lois Suggs, Evelyn Raulerson, Sarah Rewis and E.J. Moore. Graduation is scheduled for Thursday night beginning at 9:00 o'clock.

HURST'S CAFE - Hurst's CafÈ is a new business enterprise in Folkston, having opened for business this week in the Wade Block Building, formerly occupied by Haddock's Pressing Club. It will be operated by Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Hurst who came to Folkston from Blackshear.

ENSIGN CHESTER BRYANT VISITS. Ensign Chester Bryant of the US Merchant Marine arrived this week to spend a short leave with the home folks. He has just completed training at New London, Conn. and received his commission.

RED CROSS NEEDS VOLUNTEER KIT MAKERS. All ladies of the community who will volunteer their services of cutting and sewing material for the Red Cross chapter are asked to please notify Mrs. E.B. Stapleton, production chairman, who has accepted

another service kit assignment for the local chapter.

May 26, 1944

NEW BABY FOR JOHNSON FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson of Sylacauga, Ala. announce the birth of a fine 7 pound baby boy born May 12, 1944. He has been named James Henry Johnson, Jr. Mrs. Johnson is the former Miss Mable Askew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Askew.

NEW OFFICERS FOR LIONS CLUB. The Folkston Lions Club met at the school lunch room with Lion president, John Harris presiding. The following were nominated as officers for the new year. P.O. Stokes, president, E.B. Stapleton 1st V.P., Theo Dinkins 2nd VP, John Harris Secretary, W.D. Jones Lion Tamer, William Mizell Treasurer and L.E. Mallard Tail Twister.

R.A. BOYD VISITS. R.A. Boyd, Jr., who recently completed his Navy boot training at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station, visited his parents here this week.

GIBSON - WILLIFORD WEDDING. A wedding that will be of much interest to their friends here was that of Miss Lois Marcelle Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Gibson, to Mr. Eugene Boyce Williford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Williford of Fort Mill, S.C. The ceremony was performed May 21 at First Baptist Church by Rev. F.J. Gilbert, pastor of Folkston Methodist Church.

LAND - WHITE WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Land of Seminole, Oklahoma, announce the marriage of their daughter, Gladys, to Captain John C. White, son of Mr. and Mrs. M.G. White on May 21st at the First Baptist Church in Seminole. She is employed by First Baptist Church of Seminole. Captain White is stationed with the Air Force at Bowman Field, Louisville, Ky.

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RALPH BURCH AWARDED \$100. FOR LABOR-SAVING IDEA. Ralph Burch, Folkston carpenter who is employed in a supervisory capacity in the Brunswick shipyards, has worked out a labor-saving device which not only saves time but speeds up the building of ships. Mr. Burch is to be awarded \$100.00 in recognition of his ingenuity and contribution to the nation's shipbuilding program. The labor-saving device credited to Mr. Burch consists of a hinged scaffolding which can be folded back, ready for use on the next ship. Previously it had been necessary to tear down the scaffolding and build new ones for each ship as construction proceeded.

ALVIN HARRELL WOUNDED IN ACTION. Alvin Harrell, Private First Class, whose next of kin is listed as McKinley Harrell, a brother of Folkston, has been wounded in action in the Asiatic Area according to War Department Official Casualty List released Saturday. No further details were contained in the brief message received here. Investigation locally disclosed that McKinley Harrell, brother of the wounded man, is no longer a resident of Charlton County.

MISS JEANIE THOMPSON AND MISS BETTY TYSON GRADUATE AT YOUNG HARRIS COLLEGE. Mrs. W.D. Thompson and Mrs. John S. Tyson and son Johnny Tyson, went this week to Young Harris, Ga. where they will attend graduation exercises of Young Harris College which will be held Saturday. Miss Jeanie Thompson, daughter

of Dr. and Mrs. W.D. Thompson and Miss Betty Tyson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Tyson, Jr. are members of the graduating class.

ROBERT WILSON JOINS U.S. NAVY. Robert Wilson, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Wilson, left last week to report to the Selective Service Induction Center at Fort McPherson in Atlanta. He has been assigned to service in the US Navy and has been sent to Camp Perry, Va. for boot camp training.

AMERICAN LEGION POST OFFICERS. At its last regular meeting the American Legion Post re-elected its present staff of officers to serve another term. The following is the official staff: R.E. Player, Post Commander; Noah Stokes, Vice Commander; Mack D. Thrift, Jr., Commander; W.T. Johnson, Adjutant; O.C. Mizell, Treasurer; W.R. Allen, Historian; A.S. McQueen, Judge Advocate; J.O. Hannaford, Chaplain; Mack Lloyd, Custodian; E.C. Fletcher, Sgt. at Arms; W.D. Thompson, Service Officer; Dr. A.D. Williams, Chairman Executive Committee.

MISS SARAH KATHRYN MIZELL GRADUATES AT SHORTER COLLEGE. Mr. and Mrs. William Mizell were in Rome Saturday to attend the graduation exercises of Shorter College, their daughter Miss Sarah Kathryn Mizell being a member of the 1944 graduating class. She has completed the four-year course at Shorter, one of the outstanding colleges for women in the south.
CARL HERRIN JOINS U.S. NAVY. Carl Herrin, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Herrin, volunteered last week at the Naval Recruiting Station in Jacksonville for service in the US Navy. He has been assigned to Camp Perry, Va. for training.

CRAWFORD S. BANKS IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC WITH COAST GUARD. News has been received here that Lt.j.g.. Crawford S. Banks is now on duty in the combat waters of the southwest Pacific Area. A photo showing Lt. Banks soaking up sunshine was included in the news story. He is a son of Dr. and Mrs. W.E. Banks and is attached to a Coast Guard Transport unit.

MISS BRADDOCK WORKING AT SODA FOUNTAIN. Miss Barbara Neal Prevatt has accepted a position as soda dispenser at the Folkston Pharmacy during the summer months.

THREE FOLKSTON YOUNG MEN ENLIST IN NAVY. Monroe Altman, Wilbur Thomas, Jr. and Bobby Robinson went to Jacksonville Wednesday and enlisted for service in the U.S. Navy.

NEW BABY BOY FOR HODGES FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Hodges of Pembroke, N.C. announce the birth of a fine, seven pound baby boy born May 24th. Mr. Hodges is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V.A. Hodges. Mrs. Hodges is the former Miss Sarah Henderson, who before her marriage was a teacher in the Folkston schools.

QUINTUPLETS GET PONY FOR BIRTHDAY. The Dionne quintuplets were ten years old on Sunday, May 28th and they received a gift for which they have been clamoring for more than a year - a pony.

June 9, 1944

PREMATURE FIRE ALARM ANNOUNCES EUROPEAN INVASION. When Folkston's fire alarm siren sounded shortly after 4:30 Saturday afternoon to announce the European invasion this community jumped the gun by only a brief period in announcing that momentous event, it has been disclosed by subsequent developments. The news flash, later announced as an error was received over the radio at the Folkston Pharmacy. Dr. W.D. Thompson promptly relayed the flash to Mayor C.J. Passieu and in

less than a minute the siren was going full-blast with the mayor in person at the control switch. The promptness with which the false news flash was announced to our people by the prolonged blasts of the siren indicated Mayor Passieu had planned well to get the great news to all within hearing distance. When the real news of the invasion reached our people early Tuesday morning, it was received calmly and quietly with no spirit of rejoicing or celebration. There was a general feeling that the greatest and most far-reaching battle in all human history had begun and while there is confidence in eventual victory, it is realized that our soldiers are facing grave perils and hardships and there will be heavy casualty lists soon.

PAUL PROCTOR PRESCOTT SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN ACTION. Paul Proctor Prescott, son of Mrs. J.M. Prescott, has been seriously wounded while serving aboard a hospital ship in European waters, his mother was advised by the Navy Department Saturday. Details of the action in which the young man was wounded was not revealed in the brief official notice. In the second message received Tuesday, Mrs. Prescott was advised that young Prescott had suffered compound fractures and his condition was considered serious. The many friends of the young man will learn of his injuries with deep regret and will join in the hope for his complete recovery.

KU KLUX KLAN HAS BEEN DISBANDED. Dr. James A. Colescott, Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan has announced that the organization has been disbanded. "This means the suspension of all operations throughout the country," he says. "We have closed our main office in Atlanta and have dissolved all local units." When asked for reasons why, Colescott said "The reasons are well known to all the members but I do not believe they have any public interest." He denied however that the Klan disbanded because of a report that the organization owed the government \$600,000. in taxes covering the period of 1915 to the present. "At our national convention in Atlanta on April 23" he said, "the delegates from all the units unanimously voted to suspend the constitution and the laws of the organization, and to revoke all charters."

INCREASE IN CITY WATER RATES. At a special meeting of the Mayor and City Council held Tuesday, a resolution was approved providing for an increase in city water rents from \$1.50 per month, the present rate, to \$2.50 per month, effective July 1st.

WALTER LOWELL EUNICE DIED. Walter Lowell Eunice, 28, died Friday at his home at the Hercules Camp after an illness of only a few hours. He was an employee of the Hercules Powder Co. and had been stationed at the Folkston camp for some time. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Rodanne Walden of Pierce County; one young son, Robert; three young daughters, Laurelle, Cleo and Barbara; six brothers, J.L. Eunice, Elmer Eunice, Henry Eunice, Joe Eunice, George Eunice, and Carl Eunice of the US Army stationed in Italy; also a sister, Mrs. Robert Strickland. The funeral was held at High Bluff Church and burial was at High Bluff Cemetery.

DR. McCOY HAS WONDER DRUG, PENICILLIN, AVAILABLE. Dr. W.R. McCoy announces that penicillin, the wonder drug that has been in such widespread demand throughout the country in recent months, is now available for administering to patients in this area who may need that type of treatment. Dr. McCoy says he has a limited supply on hand at the local hospital and can obtain the drug in amounts needed. He has already tried out this marvelous new remedy with highly successful results. It is used in the treatment of infectious diseases.

NEW HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT. Miss Edwina Cox of Nahunta has taken up her duties as Charlton County's new Home Demonstration Agent. She is making her

residence at the home of Mrs. H.J. Davis. LITTLE HULING DAUGHTER DIED. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Huling, who has been seriously ill for the past several months, passed away at the home of her parents Wednesday. The grief-stricken parents will have the sympathy of their many friends in their bereavement.

MR. GEORGE D. COONER DIED. George D. Cooner, 42, of Jacksonville, died Thursday in a Jacksonville hospital following a brief illness. He was a native of Folkston, having moved to Jacksonville twenty years ago. He had been employed by the Merrill-Stevens Co. as a welder and was a member of the Baptist Church. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Jewell Cooner; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cooner; five sisters, Mrs. Hattie Gill, Mrs. Nettie Savery, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, Mrs. Maude Green and Mrs. Annie Mae Walker; two brothers, James H. and Mack Cooner. Funeral services were held in the Memorial Chapel of Seasholts Funeral Parlor and burial took place at Pigeon Creek Cemetery.

POST-WAR PLANNING PROGRAM LAUNCHED. A post-war planning program for Charlton County and this area of Georgia was launched at a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners when a resolution was approved by the Board. They agreed to participate in a state-wide organization for this purpose. H. J. Friedman, planning engineer, appeared before the Board and outlined the planning details. Charlton is to be included in a unit composed of Charlton, Camden and Brantley Counties. This will be launched by the federal government.

NEW BABY BOY FOR ROBINSON FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Robinson announce the birth of a nine pound baby born Monday June 5th. The baby has been named John Sydney Robinson, Jr.

June 16, 1944

YES, I LOVE MY DAD

I love my Mother dearly, since she's sweet as she can be,
I think of many hours she's worried over me.

But what about my Daddy? I love him just as well.

The love I have for both of them, no human heart can tell.

Some people praise Mothers and never speak of Dad

But take it to yourself and think, it hurts him mighty bad.

Oh, yes I love my Daddy and I can truly say

If there ever was a Christian, my Daddy's one today.

Don't you love yours too?

Written by a son that really loves his Daddy.

James M. Altman

June 23, 1944

REVIVAL AT METHODIST CHURCH. Revival services in progress at Folkston Methodist Church for the previous ten days came to a conclusion Sunday evening.

During the progress of the meeting there were two additions to the church, Dr. J.S.

Taylor and Mr. J.S. Haddock who will be formally received into the church next Sunday morning.

SIKES - LIPETSZKY WEDDING. A marriage that will be of interest to many friends was that of Miss Jacquelyn Eleanor Sikes to Lt. Vincent Albert Lipetzsky, USMC, Cherry

Point, N.C. which took place in the Catholic Church in Newbern, N.C. on June 13th. She is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Sikes. He is a pilot in the Marine Air Corps. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Lipetzsky of Clemments, Minnesota.

THRELKELD - DRAKE WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Wildes announce the marriage of their granddaughter, Cumire Beatrice Threlkeld to Sgt. Lynn Drake of Camp Howze, Texas and Howland, Maine. The marriage was solemnized June 14 in Gainesville, Texas. Miss Threlkeld is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Onez C. Threlkeld and has since infancy lived with her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Wildes. Sgt. Drake is the son of George C. Drake of Howland, Maine and has been serving in the US Army for four years. He is an instructor of field artillery at Camp Howze, Texas.

RODDENBERRY - JONES WEDDING. Mrs. W.L. Matthews announces the marriage of her daughter, Ruth Roddenberry to Ronald Jones of Fernandina whose marriage was solemnized in Folkston Methodist Church on June 15th. He served in the US Navy, having taken part in the Sicilian Invasion and received a Purple Heart award. He now has a medical discharge. The couple will make their home at Fernandina Beach.

NEW OFFICERS FOR RED CROSS. The Charlton chapter of American Red Cross held its annual meeting last week for purpose of electing officers. The following were elected: Rev. F.J. Gilbert, Chairman; T.W. Wrench, V. Chairman; Mrs. B.S. Johnson, Treasurer; Cleo Huling, Secretary; Henry Johnson, Home Service Chairman; Mrs. C.J. Wright, Mrs. E.B. Stapleton, Production Managers; Miss Edwina Cox, Nutrition; John Harris, Disaster; Eunice Chute, First Aid; Esther Carter, Canteen; L.E. Mallard, Prisoner of War chairman. A vice chairman was elected from each district: Mrs. Zarfos, Homeland; Mrs. L.E. Roberts, St. George; Mrs. Ralph Knabb, Moniac; Mrs. Mary Player, Winokur; Mrs. S.M. Howard, Racepond and Mrs. Lonnie Tucker, Uptonville.

J.E. HARVEY ON VACATION. J.E. Harvey started Wednesday his long-needed twelve-day vacation. He expects to visit and fish at Hortense and Brunswick and then the last days will be spent on the St. Marys River with a riverbank fish fry for his friends here. All those who have been real nice to him during the past year will no doubt be invited to participate.

O'QUINN BROTHERS MEET IN AUSTRALIA. Somewhere in Australia on June 6th Cpl. Clarence O'Quinn and S.1st Class George O'Quinn met each other after two years of separation. They had seven days together during which the brothers celebrated their reunion. Clarence has been overseas for eighteen months and George has been overseas for five months. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. O'Quinn were very happy to receive this news.

June 30, 1944

MRS. MATTIE HADDOCK ROGERS DIED. Mrs. Mattie Rogers, 81, widow of the late John Rogers of Folkston and a member of one of the most widely connected pioneer families of this section died Sunday in a Waycross hospital. Funeral services delayed, pending the arrival of relatives from distant points, will be held Sunday afternoon in Sardis Cemetery. The funeral cortege will leave her home in this city at 2:00 and the services will be conducted at the graveside. Mrs. Rogers was a native of Nassau County, being a member of the widely-known Haddock family. Practically all her adult life was spent in this community. She had a large number of friends who are deeply grieved to learn of her death. Survivors include one son, J.W. Johnson; three grandsons, Guy L. Johnson, Herman Johnson and Roswald Johnson; one

granddaughter, Mrs. J.D. Colson and five great grandchildren, also a number of nieces and nephews, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Haddock. Interment will take place in Sardis Cemetery. NOTICE: Three small pigs shut up at my place. No mark. Owner can get pigs by paying me for damage done by them and for this advertisement. - M.E. POWELL.

COLONEL EDWIN SMART IS PRISONER OF WAR IN GERMANY. Colonel J. Edwin Smart, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smart of Jesup, and a former resident of this city, who was recently reported killed in action, is alive and is a Prisoner of War in Germany, his parents were advised last week. Since last May his parents and numerous friends have felt much apprehension over his fate because of a report that his plane had been wrecked while on an engagement over Europe and it was feared he had been killed.

The news concerning Col. Smart's safety was sent by his wife who resides in San Antonio, Texas and it previously had been sent to her through the Red Cross. Further details will be sent later, it was said. He spent his childhood days in this city, was a graduate of West Point and was only recently promoted to the rank of Colonel.

HAROLD BROWNING IN ENGLISH HOSPITAL WITH WAR WOUNDS. Pfc Harold Browning, son of Mrs. Imogene Sears, a teacher in the Moniac School and a former resident of Folkston, was wounded in the early stages of the European Invasion, his mother was advised in a message received here this week. It did not disclose the extent of his injuries but said that he was not badly hurt. He has been sent back to England and is now in a British hospital. Young Browning is a paratrooper and was in one of the first American units to land in France.

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THE CITY MARKET. Manager C.H. Lewis of the local Suwannee Store announces that he has just installed a modern refrigeration unit and will add a Market Department to the store's general grocery and feed business. The new department will be known as The City Market and will be under the management of Mr. Lewis with L.D. Majors as joint owner, independently of the grocery store.

WATER RATES, ANIMAL POUND DECISIONS MADE BY COUNCIL. At the meeting of the Mayor and City Council this week it was decided to set the city water rent at a flat rate of \$2.00 per month instead of the \$2.50 rate now in effect. It was also decided to fence a section of an unused street in the rear of the home of Police Office Andrew Gowen to be used as a City Pound. Officer Gowen is to have full charge of the Pound and has been instructed to take up and impound all cows and hogs found roaming the streets.

GILBERT SPENCE RECEIVES SPECIAL COMMENDATION. Pfc Gilbert G. Spence of this city has received a letter of commendation from his commanding officer for outstanding performance of duty while on active service on the battlefield in the Pacific area. He was a member of a detail of seven men which was left behind at a cove to guard the property of Battery A. Upon receiving orders to move it to another cove to get aboard a transport, this detail of only seven men proceeded in moving four 105 mm Howitzers to another cove over extremely difficult and dangerous terrain in the rain, fog,

mud and darkness in time to get the four Howitzers aboard the transport.

July 14, 1944

WIRE FENCE TO BE BUILT AROUND FOLKSTON. In an effort to end the menace of cattle and hogs roaming the streets, plans have been launched to build a livestock-proof wire fence entirely around the city, the cost to be borne jointly by Folkston and Charlton County. The public, especially those directly concerned will be expected to contribute the fence posts and the labor of erecting the fence. A wire fence was built around the city several years ago but this has been broken in several places and it will be necessary to almost completely rebuild it.

BAPTISM SUNDAY NIGHT AT FOLKSTON BAPTIST CHURCH. A large class of candidates will be baptized into membership of Folkston Baptist Church next Sunday night at the close of the evening service. The names of the candidates are Hon. J.B. Southwell, Miss Margie Solomon, Master S.L. Pickren, Miss Juanita Hathaway, Mrs. Willie Mae Groover, Miss Beverly Ann Burch, Master Ronal Hall, Miss Marguerite Eunice, Master Joe Stover, Mrs. Jimmie Lee McKendree, Miss Lorene Blocker and Mrs. Earl Garrison. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

CARD OF THANKS. I wish to take this means of thanking the people of Folkston and vicinity for their donations and helpfulness in enabling me to secure an artificial foot. Everything is very deeply appreciated. --- IRA DOBBS.

NEW SCHOOL PRINCIPAL. Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Bowen and their young son Billie arrived in Folkston this week and have rooms in the residence recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Gowen, Sr. Mr. Bowen is assuming charge of the Folkston Consolidated School and comes from Chester, Ga. where he has been Superintendent of Schools. His office will be downstairs in the Sr. High School Building on the northwest corner, next to the library.

NEW BABY BOY FOR GIBSON FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Gibson announce the birth of a fine baby boy born Tuesday, July 4th. He has been named George Russell Gibson and weighed nine pounds at birth. Both mother and baby are getting along fine.

FOR SALE: Fine full-blooded Jersey bull. Age, two years. As pretty as a picture. If interested, see Wilbur Thomas, Folkston.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of the Citizens Bank of Folkston and Nahunta at the close of business June 30, 1944: Resources \$1,491,199.82.

IT'S POLIO SEASON AGAIN. The dread germs of Polio are on the loose again, the Georgia State Dept. of Health warns this week. From now till the end of September, Infantile Paralysis is prevalent and health authorities urge parents to be on the alert for early signs of illness. It was emphasized that expert medical care, given in time, may prevent crippling deformities. It was urged that every case of suspected polio be reported immediately to the health authorities. There are no known preventions or protections against polio. Don't become hysterical if cases enter your community.

July 21, 1944

JUNIOR STEWART RECEIVES PROMOTION. Domingo Layton Stewart, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Stewart, Sr., who has been serving with the famous First Marine Division in the Pacific Area for more than two years, has been promoted to the rank of Sergeant according to information received by his parents. He has been serving in the Marine Corps for nearly four years. Junior's many friends here will be glad to learn of his well-

merited advancement.

DR. SAWYER PROMOTED TO MAJOR. Dr. James L. Sawyer, who entered the Army from Folkston as a First Lieutenant in the Medical Corps early in the War, and who later was promoted to Captain, has been advanced to the rank of Major, according to information received by friends here. He is attached to a combat unit and has been stationed in England for the past year. He landed in France with the American forces on D-Day and has been serving with an advanced medical unit on the battlefield.

LIONS CLUB TO RECEIVE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER. The first edition of The Monthly Bulletin, a mimeograph publication dedicated to promoting the work of the Lions Club, made its appearance this week designed to circulate among the membership and businesses of the city. The Bulletin is issued by Lions' secretary, John Harris.

CREWS BROTHERS MEET IN ENGLAND. Sgt. Carlos L. Crews, who is serving with the U.S. Air Force at some place in England, met his brother, Cpl. Julius E. Crews, who is also serving in England with the Army Medical Corps. After not having seen each other in more than two years the brothers were very much pleased over their meeting.

FOREMAN ALDRIDGE TRANSFERRED TO NEW JOB WITH ACL. E.C. Aldridge, who has served as Section Foreman for the Atlantic Coast Line here for the past several years, has at his own request, been transferred to a new position with the railroad. He is now serving as foreman of a track-laying crew engaged in putting in new rails along the line between Folkston and Jacksonville.

PRODUCTS MADE BY BLIND WORKERS ARE USED BY ARMY. Blind workers will produce all of the 4,500,000 mops and more than sixty percent of the 5,000,000 corn brooms slated for the Quartermaster Corps to keep army buildings clean, it was announced Monday. Blind workers will also make 1,200,000 mop handles and no procurement of such articles as mops, brooms and handles will be made from other sources until all production of the blind has been exhausted.

PVT. RICHARD MAYS HAS VISITORS. Mrs. H.J. Mays and son Jack spent the past weekend in Tampa with her son, Richard, who is stationed at Drew Field. He is serving with a radar unit with the Army Air Corps.

EDITOR HARRISON IS DELEGATE TO CONVENTION. R. Ward Harrison, Editor of the Herald, has been named as one of the 32 Georgia delegates to the Democratic National Convention and is attending the meeting in session this week in Chicago.

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KINGSLAND WOMAN KILLED BY TRAIN AT ROAD CROSSING. Mrs. Joanna Mills Brown, wife of Crawford A. Brown of Kingsland, met instant death last Thursday morning when the auto she was driving was struck by a southbound Seaboard Air Line passenger train at a road crossing about two miles north of Kingsland. According to reports, Mrs. Brown's car stalled on the railroad tracks and was hit by the speeding train while she was attempting to get it started. Two children in the car with her succeeded in getting clear of the vehicle before the train struck. Mrs. Brown was a member of the widely known Mills family and had a number of relatives and friends in this city who learned of her tragic death with sorrow. She was about 60 years of age, and besides her husband is survived by two sons and one daughter. Funeral services were held at Ruhamah Baptist Church. Burial took place in the Camden County's Clark's Bluff Cemetery,

CITY HEALTH OFFICER APPEALS FOR ALL-OUT WAR ON MOSQUITOES. Dr. A.

Fleming, Folkston's City Health Officer, this week called upon the people of the community to declare a little private war of their own---an all-out fight against mosquitoes---not only a nuisance of the first order but a deadly menace to the community's health. Dr. Fleming points out that since the heavy rains of last week mosquitoes are taking the town. Most of them "are those small fiery devils that set you afire when they bite", but undoubtedly some of the Malaria kind are mixed in with them. The pests cause a great deal of suffering for adults as well as children. Dr. Fleming urges the public to cooperate 100% in eliminating standing water around premises, thus getting rid of mosquitoes breeding places.

PROCTOR PRESCOTT VISITS HOME FOLKS. Proctor Prescott, son of Mrs. O.M. Prescott arrived this week to spend a fifteen-day leave with the home folks while recuperating from injuries sustained in an accident while on active duty at a naval station in England. Young Prescott is serving with a hospital unit with the Navy forces that has been stationed with the European Area. He suffered severe injuries when struck by a truck while riding a bicycle. At the conclusion of his furlough he will report to a hospital at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station.

PFC. HAROLD BROWNING HAS SURGERY IN ENGLAND. Pfc Harold Browning, son of Mrs. Imogene Sears, who suffered shrapnel wounds in the legs during the early stages of the European Invasion, last week underwent an operation for appendicitis in the hospital in England where he is under treatment for his battle wounds. He is reported to be making satisfactory progress. An Army paper credits the unit to which young Browning is attached, with wiping out an average of three enemy troops each in the fight for Carenton. He was wounded the day the paratroopers entered the town and his outfit is credited with its capture.

HURST RESTAURANT CLOSED. The restaurant operated the past several weeks in the Wade Building by Mr. and Mrs. Hurst of Blackshear, closed its doors Monday, the business having been discontinued. Mr. Hurst also operated the D&B bus lines to St. Marys. This has been transferred to The Service Lines. With discontinuance of the bus line, Mr. Hurst decided to close the restaurant as they were operated in conjunction with one another.

SGT. DAVID LITTLEFIELD AWARDED AIR MEDAL. Sgt. David Littlefield, son of Mrs. J.C. Littlefield, serving as a rear turret gunner with a Liberator Bomber crew, has been awarded the Air Medal for outstanding service. He is stationed in the European Area, being attached to the Third Bombardment in his division.

POST-WAR PLANS FOR REAL ESTATE. Federally owned real estate no longer needed after the war will be sold in family-size parcels to purchasers who will put the land to productive use under a plan set forth by the Surplus War Property Administrator. W.L. Clayton, Administrator announced Saturday that large areas such as camp sites or air fields, will be subdivided in consultation with local authorities and surplus agriculture land will be sold as family-size farms. Former owners will be given an opportunity to repurchase their land at current market value.

SIXTEEN GERMAN GENERALS URGE NATZIS TO END WAR. The statement declared that the signers, through long service in the German army in two wars, had come to the conclusion that the present struggle is hopeless. They appealed directly to the German army to: (1) Break with Hitler immediately; (2) Denounce all orders from him or his henchmen; (3) Bring to an immediate end "this senseless bloodshed." The Russians took care to see that the statements would reach Germans, broadcasting it

over short-wave radio and dropping thousands of printed copies from planes in German-held territory. The Russians said the German army should know of the appeal of the generals who declared that their action was voluntary and was prompted by the love of their country.

GENE PEARCE WOUNDED IN ACTION IN ITALY. Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Pearce received official announcement from the War Department Tuesday, advising that their son, Eugene, had been seriously wounded in action on July 8th while serving on the battle fields of Italy. Young Pearce, known to his friends as "Gene" is 19 years old and entered the armed forces by voluntary enlistment about a year ago. He has been serving in Italy for the past several months taking part in the bitter fighting just previous to the fall of Rome. He is attached to the Infantry forces. Mr. and Mrs. Pearce have another son, J.B. Pearce, Jr. serving in a Western Army camp.

ALBERT GAY VISITING HOME FOLKS. Seaman first class Albert Gay is spending a 20-day leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brantley Gay. He has been serving on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific for the past eight months.

"THE FRIENDLY CORNER". Manager C.H. Lewis of the local Suwannee Store and City Market has designated his new location in the Wade Building as "The Friendly Corner."

OSWORTH HOWARD IN ATLANTA HOSPITAL. Pfc James Osworth Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Howard, is a patient in the Lawson General Hospital in Atlanta, suffering from an abdominal ulcer. He received his basic training at Camp Seibert, Ala. and had been sent to Atlanta for three months medical training, when he became ill.

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CORBETT W. PETTY DIES OF INJURIES IN TRAIN ACCIDENT. Corbett W. Petty, age about 50, resident of the Mattox community, died in the McCoy Hospital Monday as a result of injuries sustained when he was struck by an Atlantic Coast Line passenger train at Uptonville Sunday night. Train No. 80 had stopped for the Uptonville station and was pulling out northbound when the tragedy occurred just a short distance from the signal tower. He was struck on the head and shoulder, evidently by the pilot of the locomotive. The engineer failed to see the accident and the train proceeded. The injured man was quickly found and brought to the hospital where he died 25 hours later. He was the victim of an accident more than two years ago, suffering the loss of an eye when he was struck by a piece of coal which fell from a passing train while he was serving as a guard at the ACL St. Marys River bridge. He was a son of the late Heck Petty and was not married. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Barbara Ann M. Petty; five brothers, O.S. Petty, Leon Petty of the US Army in Italy, Talmadge Petty, Seaborn Petty and Wilmer Petty; two sisters, Mrs. R.H. Thrift and Mrs. Laurie Cason. Funeral services were held at the gravesite in Sardis Cemetery with Mincey Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

FLORIDA OLD-AGE ASSISTANCE RAISED. Old-age assistance in Florida will be raised from the present average of \$24.30 to \$28.50 a month, beginning August 1st, it is announced from Tallahassee. The State Welfare Board provided the old-age assistance increase by budgeting a \$3,000,000 anticipated return from horse-racing taxes. Horse-racing produced \$3,100,000 for old-age assistance last year.

NEW EQUIPMENT FOR HOSPITAL. Dr. W.R. McCoy, who recently purchased the McCoy Hospital has purchased new equipment and appliances. One is a basal metabolic machine which determines the presence or absence of goiter. The X-Ray machine has been repaired and is now ready for use. Dr. McCoy has spared no expense in providing the hospital with modern equipment and medical services.

OLIN H. SMITH KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE. Olin H. Smith, 44, bookkeeper for the State Highway Department in Waycross, was killed Friday night when he was struck by an automobile near the Waycross city limits. He died a few minutes after reaching a Waycross hospital. He was working on a tire when he was hit by an automobile. He was a native of Ludowici and lived in Folkston for several months while employed as a clerk in the state road camp near this city. Besides his wife who was with him at the time of the accident, he is survived by a young daughter.

IMPROVED CHOCOLATE BARS. After the war look for chocolate bars that won't turn to goo in the pocket of your summer suit or run down your chin. The army says its tropical chocolate bars which melt at 120 degrees instead of the usual 85 degrees undoubtedly will be on the civilian market in peacetime through the southern states and in the summer up north. The bars are made of chocolate, skim milk, cocoa fat and oat flour, with flavoring and vitamins. The mixture can not be poured but must be compressed into molds. The taste and texture are the same as of the now popular bars says the Overseas Resale Procurement Section of the Army Service Forces.

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TWO FOLKSTON SOLDIERS MEET DEATH IN BATTLE. One fatally injured in Italy and the other killed in Normandy. See next two articles:

OSCAR EUGENE PEARCE DIED THE DAY FOLLOWING BATTLEFIELD WOUND.

Oscar Eugene Pearce, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Pearce, who was listed as wounded in action in Italy on July 8, died the following day, his parents have been officially notified in a message received Wednesday from the War Department. Letters addressed to him at the hospital in Italy were returned with the notation "deceased" being received here just a few hours before the message came announcing his death. There was some conflict in the date of the young soldier's death. The War Department gave the date as July 12 but the returned letters bore the notation from his commanding officer confirming his death on July 9. He had been overseas for several months, taking part in the heavy fighting in Italy. He is believed to have been fatally wounded in the fighting near Leghorn. A particularly sad feature of the young man's death is the fact that he was fatally wounded just one week before his 19th birthday. Besides his parents, survivors include a brother, James B. Pearce, Jr., serving in the armed forces in Oklahoma and a sister Miss Betty Pearce. The grief-stricken parents and family will have the sympathy from this entire community in their bereavement.

SGT. CLAYTON GOWEN KILLED IN ACTION ON FRENCH BATTLE FRONT. Staff Sgt. Clayton Gowen, 22, was killed in action on the French battle front on July 17, his father, Andrew G. Gowen, of this city was advised in a message received Tuesday from the War Department. No details concerning the engagement in which the young soldier lost his life was disclosed in the brief official message. He was attached to the American Army Infantry Forces taking part in the heavy battles following the Normandy Invasion. He had been serving in the armed forces three and a half years. He had been overseas, stationed in Ireland since November and had been serving with the American Invasion

Forces in France just a little more than a month, landing in France shortly after D-Day. He was a native of Charlton County and had a wide circle of friends here who will learn of his death with deep sorrow. He has two brothers in the armed forces, Sheppard Gowen, stationed at a west coast army camp and Louis Gowen now serving overseas. Besides his father, Andrew G. Gowen, survivors include another brother, Cecil Gowen and two sisters, Mrs. Harvin Quarterman and Mrs. Cecil Conner. People of this community will join in extending heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

MISS CHUTE RESIGNS AND WILL TEACH AT COLLEGE IN CARROLLTON. Miss Eunice Chute, who has been connected with the Folkston schools for the past several years, and who has served as Principal of Charlton County High School, has resigned to accept a post as an instructor in English at West Georgia College in Carrollton, Ga.

THOMAS - SMITH WEDDING. A marriage announcement that will be of much interest is that of Miss Freida Elizabeth Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Thomas, to Mr. Dan Smith of Jacksonville. The ceremony was performed by Judge A.S. McQueen Saturday morning.

WAR CASUALTIES HEAVY IN WARE COUNTY. War casualties have dealt a heavy blow to Waycross and Ware County in the past ten days, as former National Guardsmen of that city, a part of the 121st Infantry, Eighth Division, had plunged through the thick of the fighting in Normandy. During a nine-day period, seven Ware County men were reported killed in action and nine were reported wounded. Most of the casualties were from the fighting in France.

SHIVAR - CREEL WEDDING. An event of much interest was the marriage of Miss Elsie Marguerite Shivar to Pvt. Cody Melvin Creel of Spokane, Washington which took place Saturday at the local Baptist pastorium with Rev. R.W. Waterman officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Shivar. The groom is a resident of Spokane and is serving in the armed forces, stationed in Dade City, Fla.

MR. ERNEST C. "TIP" KENNISON DIED. Ernest C. Kennison, age 78, known to a host of friends as "Uncle Tip", passed away at his home five miles east of Folkston Tuesday after an extended illness due to the infirmities of age. He was a pioneer citizen of Charlton County, born and spent his entire lifetime in this community, being engaged in farming and stock raising. He is widely known over the county as being one of the leading citizens of this community and was held in high regard. Besides his wife, the former Miss Bytha Cooner, survivors include three sons, L.H. Kennison, Seaborn Kennison and Albert Kennison; four daughters, Mrs. C.A. Sykes, Mrs. R.L. O'Berry, Mrs. Elmer E. Weiher and Mrs. C.A. Gay; twenty-six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the graveside in the Kennison Family Cemetery near his home. Mincey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

POST-WAR PLANNING COMMITTEE. At the County Commissioners meeting this week the following were appointed as a committee for post-war planning: J.B. Southwell, Troy Conner, W.W. Pickren, Theo Dinkins and J.V. Gowen, Jr.

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FLOYD WILDES PROMOTED. Floyd C. Wildes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Wildes has received a promotion in the US Navy, having been appointed as Chief Petty Officer. He is serving as Shore Patrol Officer at San Bruno, California.

HUBERT ALTMAN COMPLETES TWO YEARS OVERSEAS. Cpl. Hubert E. Altman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Altman, has completed two years of overseas duty with his Flying Fortress

unit on August 6th becoming one of the veterans of the war in the European and Mediterranean theaters.

NOAH LEE CLARK IS NOW ACL OPERATOR. Noah Lee Clark, 17 years old, son of Mrs. Sibbie Clark, has through faithful and efficient service been given the permanent position of third trick operator of the ACL Railroad in the Folkston tower. This is quite a responsible position for a 17-year-old and the young man is to be commended for his energy and enterprise in meriting the place. He has been serving as a relief operator for the Coast Line for the past year.

SON OF FORMER COUNTY OFFICIAL KILLED IN ACTION. Reported missing since January 30, 1944, Sgt. Clyde Green, an engineer-gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress, was this week reported killed following a bombing mission over enemy-held territory in Europe. He was a son of Simon P. Green, former member of Charlton County Board of Commissioners of the Moniac District, who now lives in Macclenny. He won his gunner's wings and completed training at the Army Airfield in Amarillo, Texas. He had been stationed in England with the US Army Bomber Group. Besides his father, survivors include three sisters and six brothers. Three of his brothers are serving in the armed forces.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR GENE PEARCE. Memorial services for Oscar Eugene Pearce, 19 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Pearce, Sr., who was fatally wounded in Italy on July 8th, will be held Sunday morning at 11:30 in the Folkston Methodist Church. Rev. F.J. Gilbert will pay tribute to the young Folkston soldier who made the supreme sacrifice on a foreign battlefield. It will be the first memorial service held in the local Methodist Church for a Folkston boy killed in battle.

THREE YOUNG MEN INJURED IN WRECK. Three young men of the Uptonville community, Barney Gowen, Paul Hickox and Philip Wainwright suffered painful cuts and bruises early Tuesday morning when the auto in which they were driving into Folkston plunged into a washed-out bridge over a small branch near the Lee Chancey farm. The bridge had been washed out by the heavy rains Monday night. Barney Gowen, driving the car failed to see the bridge was out in the dim light of early morning. All the boys suffered painful cuts and bruises, one of them a broken nose, but no one was seriously hurt. The car was almost completely demolished.

EDWIN STOKES VISITING HOME FOLKS. T. Sgt. Edwin Stokes of the U.S. Army Air Corps who has been stationed at posts in the Caribbean Sea area for the past several months arrived this week to spend a 26-day leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Stokes.

MRS. BLANCHE BARNES DIED. Mrs. Blanche Z. Barnes, age 87, mother of the late John M. Barnes, for many years Folkston's Chief of Police, passed away Sunday at Orlando after an extended illness. She was a native of Monroe County, Ga. Funeral services were held at Folkston Baptist Church and interment took place in the Folkston Cemetery. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Dora A. White, with whom she made her home; one son P.S. Barnes and ten grandchildren.

MR. ALBERT T. MIZELL DIED. Funeral services for Albert T. Mizell, 67, who passed away at his home in Jacksonville Saturday were held at the graveside in the Folkston Cemetery with the pastor of Hilliard Baptist Church officiating. He was a native of Charlton County and formerly resided in this city. He was engaged in the naval stores business near St. George before going to Jacksonville to make his home about fifteen years ago. He had a large number of relatives and friends in this county who will learn

of his death with sorrow. Burial arrangements were in charge of Key-McCable, Jacksonville Morticians.

DR. FRANCIS HARPER OUT AT SWAMP. Dr. Francis Harper, noted scientist of near Philadelphia, is spending several days here out at the Swamp. Dr. Harper has made a special study of the Okefenokee wildlife over a long period of years. He is accompanied here by his young son.

MIZELL - SPIVEY WEDDING. A marriage announcement that will be of interest is that of Miss Myrtle Mizell, daughter of Mr. Ed Mizell, to Mr. Dempsey Spivey of Douglas, which took place July 29 in Darien, Ga. They are making their home in Brunswick where both are employed in the shipyard.

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HUGH D. GEORGE PROMOTED. Hugh D. George of Folkston has been promoted to the rank of Technical Sgt. it was announced recently. Sgt. George is an armored-gunner with a veteran B-26 Marauder Group in the Mediterranean Theater. He was recently awarded an oak-leaf cluster to the Air Medal.

AFTER THE WAR, VETERANS MAY BUY JEEPS. The lower house of Congress Monday recognized the fighting forces' love for the "jeep", writing into the war surplus property disposal bill an amendment that would permit service men and women veterans to buy this iron-clad midget at "wholesale prices". It adopted a proposal by Rep. Miller of Conn., providing that those who served in uniform may buy any surplus item after the war, at the same unit price as big-lot buyers.

ASSIGNMENT OF TEACHERS IN LOCAL SCHOOLS ANNOUNCED. Supt. W.L. Bowen of the Folkston Consolidated School announces the following assignment of teachers subject to unforeseen changes:

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Mrs. J.D. Roddenberry, Principal, Latin and English; Mrs. Myrtle Renfro, General Science and English; Mrs. Kathryn Jones, Biology and Social Science; Mrs. H.D. Templeton, Mathematics; Miss Esther Carter, Home Making Education. JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Miss Mayme Askew, Principal and Eighth Grade; Miss Eleanor Cockrell, Mrs. Mildred Mizell, Seventh Grade; Mrs. B.B. Gowen, Miss Susie Johnston, Sixth Grade; Mrs. Georgia Brown, Mrs. Willye Nicholson, Miss Leila Crews, Fifth Grade.

PRIMARY AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, Miss Marion Pearce, Principal and Second Grade; Mesdames Gibson, Hannaford, Cavendar, Fourth Grade; Mesdames Vickery, Sears, Miss Emily Stokes, Third Grade; Misses Marjorie Gibson, Geraldine Stokes, Mrs. Scott, Second Grade; Mesdames Jones and Johnson, First Grade.

MR. JOHN R. COOPER DIED. John Robert Cooper, 38, of Folkston, died Wednesday of last week in a Jacksonville hospital after an extended illness. He had spent practically all his life in this community. Seriously ill the past several months he was taken to a Jacksonville hospital a week before his death. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church. Beside his wife, Mrs. Lottie Bell Cooper and two daughters, Marlene and Bobby Jean, survivors include his mother Mrs. John Mizell; two brothers, Joseph W. Cooper and Billy T. Cooper of the US Army and a sister Mrs. C.L. Caffee. Funeral services were held at Philadelphia Baptist Church and interment took place in Sardis Cemetery.

MISS MERLYN HULING TO GRADUATE AS REGISTERED NURSE. Miss Merlyn Huling, daughter of Mrs. J.O. Huling, has completed her training course at the Macon

City Hospital and will get her diploma and certificate as a Registered Nurse in special ceremonies on September 10th.

AVENER HOLT SERVING WITH ARMY PARATROOPS. Pvt. Avener W. Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Holt, has won the right to wear "wings and boots" of the US Army Paratroops. He has completed four weeks of jump training during which time he made five jumps, the last a jump at night involving a combat problem on landing.

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CHARLTON COUNTY CHAPTER OF GEORGIA FARM BUREAU ORGANIZED. One of the most promising developments of the year in our county was the recent organization of the Charlton County chapter of Georgia Farm Bureau Federation. Much of the preliminary work has been carried forward by Harry Johnson, Ruth Dinkins and Charles H. Gibson. The efforts of these men resulted last night in a permanent organization of the Charlton County chapter with E.H. Johnson, president; J.P. Conner, vice president and Theo Dinkins, secretary and treasurer. The active cooperation of county agent W.D. Jones, as well as other county officials, has been pledged.

LABOR DAY PICNIC. The Labor Day celebration in Folkston on Monday, Sept. 4th will be featured by an old fashioned basket picnic, fish fry and dance to be held at Homeland Park, sponsored by Okefenokee Post 130 American Legion. It will begin at 1:00 in the afternoon. An interesting feature will be the explaining of the provisions of the "G.I. Bill of Rights" for the benefit of service men and their families. All places of business will be asked to close their doors Monday at noon and declare a holiday for the remainder of the day. The business men have signed a petition agreeing to close as requested. The dance will begin at 9:00 P.M. at the clubhouse, with Dell's Orchestra of Waycross providing the music.

OVERSEAS CHRISTMAS GIFTS. Although Postmaster E.F. Allen has warned local people that Christmas parcels for those in the armed forces must be mailed before October 15th, it remained for the Office of War Information (OWI) to compile a list of things desired by the service folks. A poll conducted by the OWI showed soldiers want money orders and wallets, razor blades and shaving kits, while sailors would like alarm clocks and bedroom slippers. Army nurses preferred coats and navy nurses desired Christmas tree decorations. WACS would rather have elastic girdles.

FARM BUREAU TO SPONSOR BAR-B-QUE. On September 14th the Charlton County Chapter of the Farm Bureau is sponsoring a county-wide program to be held at the 4-H Club Park. A bar-b-que dinner will be served and all citizens are invited to attend. The purpose of it is to acquaint all citizens with the activities of the Farm Bureau, from national to state and county levels. The Charlton County Chapter now has 31 paid-in members. They are assisting farmers in securing seed oats at this time.

RICHARD MAYS STATIONED AT POST IN CHINA. Dick Mays, son of Mrs. H.J. Mays, who is serving in the Army Air Force, recently received orders for overseas service and is now stationed at an army airbase in China. He is on duty in the radio communication service and spent a short while in India before being transferred to the post in China where the Army Air Force is carrying on active operations against the Japanese homeland.

PVT. WRENCH RECOVERING FROM INJURIES. Pvt. Howard Wrench, serving in the armed forces at Camp Gruver, Oklahoma, arrived this week to spend a 10 day leave here. He suffered a serious back injury while on maneuvers soon after he entered the service. He has recovered sufficiently to be assigned to light duties.

METHODIST FINANCE COMMITTEE TO MEET. A meeting of the Finance Committee No. Four of the local Methodist Church Building Fund organization is set for Wednesday evening at 9:00 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Mizell. This is to be an important meeting and plans are to be worked out to raise funds. Included on the membership of the committee are: Clifton Gowen, chairman; Jewell Hopkins, treasurer; Kathryn Thompson, vice chairman; Kenneth Harrison, Dorothy Powell, Thomas Scott, Jr., Kathryn Bolton, Barbara McKendree, E.M. Mizell, Sarah Kathryn Mizell, Billy Haddock, Annie Lou Boyd, Billy Clark, J.S. Haddock, Jr., Jackie Robinson, George White, Jr., Bobby Adkins, Frances Mizell, Sue Dee Wainwright, Morris Powell, Jr., Rebecca Jean Bonner, Betty Pearce, Madria Mizell, Bobby Ruth Sikes, Zilphia Crews, Cleo Huling, Billy Mizell, Jean Thompson, Shorty Mizell, Mrs. Kathryn Jones.

LITTLE OWEN VERNON WILDES KILLED IN ACCIDENT. Owen Vernon Wildes, four-year-old son of C.C. Wildes, Jr., former residents of this county, was run over by a log truck and instantly killed in front of his home in Andrew, S.C. on August 23rd. It was an unavoidable accident and no charges were made against the driver. Funeral services were held at the graveside in Andrew, S.C. by the minister of First Baptist Church. He is survived by his mother and father; one brother, C.C. Wildes III; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Wildes, Sr.; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Courson and great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Wildes.

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PURPLE HEART AWARDED HAROLD BROWNING. Pfc. Harold Browning who was wounded in action while serving with the paratrooper forces in France soon after D-Day, has received the Purple Heart Award which has been sent to his mother, Mrs. Imogene Sears. He was wounded in the leg by shrapnel and was sent to an Army hospital in England. He has recovered from his injuries and has rejoined his company in France.

POLIO CASES DELAY OPENING OF SCHOOL. The opening of Cook County schools Monday has been postponed, and a county-wide revival which was to open Wednesday night has been put off indefinitely because of two cases of Polio in the county, it is reported from Adel.

DOUGLAS R. BROWN KILLED IN ACTION IN FRANCE. Cpl. Douglas R. Brown of St. George was killed in action in France on August 15, according to a message received by his family from the War Department. No details concerning the action in which he lost his life were revealed. Cpl. Brown entered service at Danville, Va. and received his training at Camp Lee, Va. He saw active service in the African Campaign, the Invasion of Sicily and Italy and in southern France, where he was killed. Survivors include his wife, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.B. Griner of St. George, and a teacher at the St. George school.

MISS MIZELL TO TEACH IN NORTH CAROLINA. Miss Sarah Kathryn Mizell has accepted a position on the faculty of the Forest City, N.C. high school and is to begin her work as a teacher there on September 13th.

DONALD G. RODDENBERRY INJURED IN ACTION IN FRANCE. NOW IN THOMASVILLE HOSPITAL. Pfc Donald G. Roddenberry, grandson of Mr. and Mrs.

Robert Jones, is convalescing at Finney General Hospital, Thomasville, Ga. from battle injuries received at Cherbourg, France. He was injured on June 20, 1944 by shrapnel from a German shell. Following hospitalization in France and England, he was flown to the U.S. and sent to Finney. Pvt. Roddenberry formerly attended Folkston High School. He entered the service in 1942.

MR. HARRIS OPENS SCHOOL WITH BOBBY SQUIRREL. The Folkston Consolidated Schools opened Monday morning with an assembly and talks by Mr. Harris and Mr. Bowen. Mr. Harris told one of the interesting stories of Bobby Squirrel to the boys and girls. The enrollment was First Grade 71; Second Grade 58; Third Grade 65; Fourth Grade 58; Fifth Grade 67; Sixth Grade 50; Seventh Grade 54; Eighth Grade 37; Ninth Grade 42; Tenth Grade 27, Eleventh Grade 35.

INFANT'S FUNERAL HELD. Funeral services for baby Sandra Gowen, born to Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Gowen, Jr. on September 1st, were held at the Folkston Cemetery Saturday morning by Rev. F.J. Gilbert.

LLOYD - ENGLISH WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Lloyd announce the marriage of their daughter Patricia to Seaman first class Joseph Carlton English, U.S. Navy, of Vero Beach, Fla. The marriage ceremony was performed in the Presbyterian Church at Sebring, Fla. on August 26, 1944.

NEW BABY, MICHAEL LAYTON WILDES. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wildes announce the birth of a baby boy born September 2nd. The baby weighed six pounds, 12 ounces and has been named Michael Layton.

NEW BABY, JOHN D. MORGAN. Mrs. J.S. Morgan announces the birth of a baby boy born September 3rd. The baby weighed seven pounds, six ounces and has been named John D. Morgan. Mother and baby are reported to be getting along fine.

MRS. GERALDINE GREEN ESCAPES DEATH BY LIGHTNING. Mrs. Geraldine Green of St. George was struck by lightning Friday afternoon and had a narrow escape from death according to reports. Her clothing was burned entirely off, it is said and she was thrown from the back porch into the yard. At last reports she was said to be recovering from her injuries.

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MRS. ROSA WILSON ROBINSON MOVES TO N.C. Mrs. Rosa Robinson, one of Folkston's pioneer residents who spent practically all her adult life in this city, left this week for Charlotte, N.C. where she will make her home with her daughter Mrs. Louie Pleasants, the former Miss Essie Robinson. Miss Rosa is in declining health, was born and reared in this community and is the sister of the late J.M. Wilson.

JEANNIE THOMPSON TO STUDY PHARMACY AT U. OF GA. Miss Jeannie Thompson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W.D. Thompson, leaves this Sunday for Athens to enter the University of Georgia School of Pharmacy. Last year she attended Young Harris College, taking special courses in physics and chemistry in preparation for taking up the study of pharmacy.

PLANS BEING MADE FOR V-DAY. Plans have been launched for the people of the community to observe V-Day as an all-out holiday when that momentous event is officially announced. Reports from the battlefields of Europe indicate the possibility that it may come any day now. Mayor C.J. Passieu has this week issued a proclamation calling on the people of the city to cease all their regular activities when the unconditional surrender of the Germans is announced, and to join in the general

celebration of the ending of the long-drawn-out and bloody struggle. While the present military situation indicates the day of decision is near, it is pointed out that weeks may elapse before the Germans are finally defeated if they choose to fight to the bitter end. It is urged that there be no let-up in all-out support of the war program until the final victory is won.

DEVANT PURVIS PROMOTED; VISITS HERE. Devant Purvis last week completed training at an Army Air Field near Blytheville, Ark. and has received his commission as a second lieutenant and combat pilot in the Army Air Corps. He is visiting his foster parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Guy.

MRS. MARY E. CASON HATHAWAY DIED. Mrs. Mary E. Hathaway, 91 years old, died Friday at her home in Jacksonville, following a long illness due to the infirmities of age. She was born in Charlton County, daughter of Hillary H. and Isabelle Cason, pioneer residents of this section. She was the widow of J.H. Hathaway who died 31 years ago, and was a resident of this city during practically all of her married life. Following the death of her husband, she moved to Jacksonville where she has made her home since 1913. She was a member of the Methodist Church. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Lillian Arnette, Mrs. Belle Gill, Mrs. Susie Smith and Mrs. W.R. Ivey; two sons, H.H. Hathaway and J.A. Hathaway; one brother, W.W. Cason and many grandchildren. She has five grandsons in the armed services, four are overseas. Funeral services were held here at the graveside in the Folkston Cemetery.

MYRON SCOTT JOINED MERCHANT MARINES. Myron L. Scott, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Scott, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Robinson, has entered the US Maritime Training Station at St. Petersburg, Fla. where he will undergo a training course for a career in the US Merchant Marine Service.

HAROLD GOWEN RECEIVES COMBAT AWARD. With the Fifth Army in Italy: Pvt. Sidney Harold Gowen of Folkston has been cited by his regiment of the 88th Infantry Division, and awarded the combat infantryman badge for participation in combat with the enemy on the Fifth Army front in Italy. Standards for the badge are high. This decoration is awarded to the infantry soldier who has proved his fighting ability in combat. He has been serving overseas in Italy since soon after the Invasion and has taken part in some of the hardest fighting of the entire war.

HUGH DORSEY GEORGE VISITING HERE. TSgt. Hugh Dorsey George of the Army Air Force, returning after eleven months of overseas service in the Italian Theater of Operations, arrived at home last week and will visit his mother during an extended leave.

NEW BABY, HELEN FRANCES BAREFOOT. Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Barefoot, Jr. of Jesup announce the birth of a daughter at the Colvin-Ritch Hospital in Jesup on Thursday, August 24th. She has been named Helen Frances. Mr. and Mrs. Barefoot are former residents of Folkston, he having been employed by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad here.

S.M. ALTMAN, JR. JOINS U.S. NAVY. Samuel M. Altman, Jr., 23, of Folkston, is receiving a Navy indoctrination at the US Naval Training Center in Great Lakes, Ill.

KEMP LITTLEFIELD VISITS HOME. Pvt. Kemp Littlefield, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, spent several days this week with his mother Mrs. J.C. Littlefield. He is being transferred to Camp Barkley, Texas.

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NO MEN CALLED FOR OCTOBER DRAFT. For possibly the second time since the Selective Service Law went into effect, Charlton County's local draft board will not be required to call up any of its registrants for the October induction, it is revealed by Clerk Richard B. Stroup. Charlton County to date has sent into the armed forces a total of 390 men, 250 white and 140 colored.

MRS. ELIZABETH RODDENBERRY, FORMER TAX COLLECTOR, DIED. Mrs. Elizabeth Welker Roddenberry, widow of the late John M. Roddenberry, and for many years Tax Collector of Charlton County, passed away Sunday at her home in Mt. Vernon, Ohio following an extensive illness. A native of Ohio, she came to Charlton County in 1907, made her home here until about a year ago. She succeeded her husband as Charlton County's Tax Collector working faithfully in this office for nearly twenty years. She was more than 70 years old and a life-long member of the Catholic Church. Funeral services and interment took place in Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

LT. CHANDLER LITTLEFIELD GETS TWO ENEMY AIRCRAFT IN ONE DAY. First Lt. Warren Chandler Littlefield now a Ninth Air Force Mustang pilot, with the famous "Pied Piper" Squadron in Normandy, had the best day of his flying career recently when he knocked down two enemy aircraft. These were the first for Lt. Littlefield in over twenty combat missions. A former student at Ga. Tech, he began his flying career in June 1942 at Napier Field, Ala.

MISS THOMPSON COMPLETES NURSING COURSES. Miss Willette Thompson returned to her home here this week having completed advanced training courses for registered nurses at the Crawford W. Long Memorial Hospital in Atlanta.

NEW BABY BOY, CLIFFORD GARY ROGERS. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Rogers announce the birth of a baby boy born September 15th at the McCoy Hospital. The baby has been named Clifford Gary. Mrs. Rogers is the former Miss Hazel Nobles.

NEW BABY GIRL, RUBY GALFORD. Mr. and Mrs. Okie Galford announce the birth of a baby girl born September 18th at the McCoy Hospital. The baby has been named Ruby. Mrs. Galford is the former Miss Mamie Knowles.

HARRELSON - TAYLOR WEDDING. Haynes W. Harrelson, formerly of Conway, S.C. this week announces the marriage of his youngest sister Jessie Mae to James Howard Taylor of this city. The wedding took place in Alma, Ga. on September 17th. The young couple will make their home here, as Mr. Taylor is employed with the J.A. Jones Construction Co. in Brunswick.

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METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING FUND BEGUN. An active campaign has been launched by Folkston Methodist Church for the purpose of raising funds to build a modern church building to cost approximately \$25,000., construction to be deferred until after the close of the war. The plan is to raise the funds and have the cash available to build the church when conditions become more nearly normal. It was decided to build an entirely new church instead of repairing the present structure, as was first proposed. Plans for the fund-raising campaign have been carefully worked out with committees set up headed by R. Ward Harrison, general chairman and Mrs. William Mizell as general treasurer. There are five committees with a chairman and secretary for each. The first report was made last Sunday when a total of \$9,465.00 in pledges was reported. Of this amount, \$5,000. in cash has actually been paid in. The committees are as follows: No. One: M.G. White, chrm., D.R. Wainwright, sec. No. Two: Mrs. A. Fleming, chrm., no

secretary. No. Three: E.H. Johnson, chrm., O.W. Leighton, sec. No. Four: Clifton Gowen, chrm., Mrs. Alva Hopkins, sec. No. Five: Rev. F.J. Gilbert, chrm., George Rhoan Gowen, sec. The campaign will be continued until the full amount is in hand, and the time comes to let the church contract. Reports will be made every three months.

TWO THANKSGIVING DAY HOLIDAYS. There has been much controversy over whether Georgians will observe the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day or whether it will be the fifth Thursday. Governor Arnall settled the matter once and for all when he announced "Georgia will have two Thanksgiving Days this year and if the war ends during November we will have three! Congress has designated the fourth Thursday, November 23rd, as Thanksgiving Day throughout the nation. I will proclaim that date as a legal holiday in Georgia. But the Georgia law fixes the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day. The last Thursday falls on November 30 so I will also proclaim that date as a legal holiday. Georgians may observe both holidays or take their choice."

BROTHERS SPEND FURLOUGH AT HOME TOGETHER. Pvt. James S. Wainwright who is stationed at Phoenixville, Penn. and Pfc. Ralph L. Wainwright, stationed at Fort Knox, Ky. had the privilege of spending their leaves at home together recently. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. Wainwright of the Uptonville community.

AMERICAN LEGION SPONSORS DANCE THURSDAY NIGHT. So much interest was shown in the Labor Day entertainment dance staged at Homeland Park sponsored by the local American Legion that it was decided to hold a weekly American Legion Jamboree at the park every Thursday night, officials of the Post announced this week. There will be dancing with hot dogs, cold drinks and other refreshments available. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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DEVANT PURVIS TO TEACH PILOTS. Second Lt. Devant Purvis has arrived at Randolph Field Texas for training as a Pilot Instructor of the Army Air Forces Training Command. He is one of several hundred pilots selected for their flying proficiency, and ability to teach, who will take a month's course in Randolph Field's Central Instructors School.

BEN HULING VISITING. Petty Officer Ben Huling, of the US Navy, who has been on active overseas service at a naval base in Italy for the past year, arrived in Folkston this week to spend a 30-day leave with his parents.

BENNIE SMITH VISITING HERE. Sgt. Bennie Smith spent the past weekend here with his father and visiting friends.

ASKEW -WILSON WEDDING. A marriage announcement of interest is that of Miss Bessie Askew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Askew and Lodric Wilson of Carrollton, Ga. The marriage took place in Marion, Arkansas last December 26th, 1943. Miss Askew graduated from the Charlton County High School and has been employed by the DuPont Co. in Alabama since that time. She is now with DuPont in Memphis, Tenn. Mr. Wilson is serving in the US Navy and is stationed in Memphis, where he is studying radio.

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COLD STORAGE PLANT TO OPEN. A modern meat-curing and cold storage plant to serve Charlton and the surrounding counties has just been completed in Folkston and will be open for public inspection on October 19th. The plant has been installed by the Folkston Ice and Cold Storage of which J.B. Hinson is the owner. The large building housing this modern plant has been remodeled, with the outside walls of stucco, and the interior divided into compartments.

WAR FUND DRIVE COMMITTEE IS ORGANIZED. Chairman M.G. White announced that the county-wide campaign for the Community and War Fund drive is to begin Monday. The committee is as follows: M.G. White, Chairman; T.W. Wrench, Secretary-Treasurer; Folkston, Mrs. C.J. Passieu, Mrs. Jessie Crews, Mrs. R.H. Bragg; St. George, Mrs. Leslie Norman, E. Bell, Arthur Barker; Uptonville, Clora Lee Conner, Mrs. Tucker; Racepond, Melton Crews; Moniac, Ralph Knabb. The quota has been set at \$1,000.00. The money raised is to be used in USO and other war service organizations.

JACK MAYS JOINS NAVY. Jack Mays, 18, son of Mrs. Naomi Mays, has volunteered for service in the US Navy, enlisting last week at the Navy Recruiting Station in Jacksonville. He has been employed as the operator of the moving picture machine at the Ritz Theater. His brother, Dick Mays, already in the armed forces, is serving in China.

NEW SAWMILL PLANT DISMANTLED BEFORE OPERATIONS BEGIN. A large new sawmill plant, completely equipped and set up down to the last detail with a brick dry kiln and more than a score of houses for the operatives, has been abandoned near Folkston and the plant is being dismantled without ever having been operated a single day. The plant was installed several months ago by the Goethe Lumber Co. interests of Jacksonville on the tract known as the J. Mizell & Bro. land purchased by this concern with plans to conduct extensive lumbering operations. Just why the concern decided to abandon the project is not known and the tract has since been transferred to new ownership. The modern plant located near Bailey Branch on the Burnt Fort Road about five miles east of Folkston is being dismantled, the sawmill machinery already having been moved away. The new two and five-room houses that never had a tenant, have been purchased by J.B. Hinson, who is offering them for sale, to be torn down and moved from the site.

FOR SALE. 21 Houses Newly Built. Two to Five Rooms. Located near Folkston. Must Be Dismantled And Moved at Once. For full information, see J.B. Hinson at Folkston Ice and Cold Storage Co. Phone 103.

MRS. J.P. WALKER DIED. Mrs. J.P. Walker, 50, mother of Mrs. Harold Guinn, died suddenly Tuesday morning in Waycross as she was walking uptown from her home. She is survived also by her husband who is connected with the Atlantic Ice and Coal Co., as well as three brothers and four sisters.

ONLY TWENTY-TWO CONFEDERATE VETERANS LEFT. Only 22 Confederate soldiers were still living in Georgia at the close of the fiscal year on June 30th. Four of the veterans resided at the Soldiers Home in Atlanta and eighteen lived with their families and were paid pensions of \$50.00 per month. Those at the home get \$5.00 monthly for spending money. Surviving widows of veterans who receive \$30.00 per month numbered 1,171.

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CRUTCHES FOR BROKEN LEG. Copied from Banks County Journal ñA man made the rounds of this section some time ago collecting money to buy crutches for his father who he said had broken his leg. A little later the daddy came to town and when asked about his broken leg, the old fellow said he never had a broken bone in his life. Of course old people often suffer broken bones and this fellow who collected the money for the crutches loves his father and was looking out ahead for his comfort and general welfare. He well knows that his beloved father is liable to have an accident at any time and have one leg or perhaps both legs broken. So he wanted to have the crutches ready in case. A loving son like that may be admired by many people, and again he may not. Take your choice.

ADVERTIZING PAYS ! Warden Charlie Dean of the Cook County farm, near Adel, advertised feeder pigs for sale. The following night the entire lot was stolen.

WIND AND RAIN BRING DESTRUCTION TO COUNTY. Gales swept the county all day Thursday. Beginning about 2:00 A.M. high northeast winds of gale force swept Folkston and Charlton County and continued until well into the night without ceasing. Driven by the wind heavy rain fell steadily throughout the day, bringing practically all traffic and business activities to a standstill. The disturbance resulted from the Florida hurricane which passed into the Atlantic Thursday afternoon in the Jacksonville-Fernandina area, after crossing Florida and leaving heavy damage to the citrus crop. Many trees were uprooted here and serious damage was made to the roads and bridges in all sections of the county. Some communities and families were still isolated late Friday afternoon.

W.L. HULING'S FLYING FORTRESS MAKES 85TH MISSION TRIP. The dramatic story of the 85th successful mission of the faithful old Flying Fortress known as "Rum Dum" was told by Sgt. Walter L. Huling, Jr. in an Associated Press dispatch from London which appeared in Monday's Atlanta Constitution. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Huling. The Associated Press story is as follows: London -- October 15 (A.P.) "Rum Dum", faithful old Fortress flew her eighty-fifth mission today, Sgt. Walter Huling, Folkston, Ga. radioman said. "We put the old Fort through her record mission without any trouble. She never turned back once and is still as good as ever!"

ALBERT GRIFFIN DIED IN ACCIDENT. Albert Griffin, age about 37, a resident of this city, was found dead on Kings Road in Jacksonville Wednesday and is presumed to be a victim of a hit-and-run auto driver. Indications are that the man was hit by a car while standing along the road trying to catch a ride to his home here. He has been a resident of Folkston for the past several years and was a former employee of R.E. Player. He is a son of Louis Griffin, also of Folkston, who survives him. He is survived also by his wife and six children as well as two brothers. The body was brought here and funeral services are to be conducted Saturday at Bethel Church with interment in the church cemetery.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS MEET. The Sardis and Homeland Home Demonstration Clubs met in the community room of the Folkston High School last Friday for a program on nutrition. Mrs. C.W. Waughtel, president of the Homeland Club led the business session. Following the program Bobbie Ruth Sikes and Dora Nell Higginbotham served refreshments consisting of cookies, brownies and Coca-Colas. Members attending were Mrs. W.S. Smith, Mrs. F.J. Gilbert, Mrs. Ellene Ruskin, Mrs. John Harris, Mrs. T.E. Leckie, Mrs. O.W. Layton, Miss Vinnie Mattox, Mrs. Jesse Mattox, Mrs. Jim Colson, Mrs. M.E. Clay, Mrs. W.D. Jones, Mrs. A. Rogers, Mrs. Bill Brusckke, Miss Esther Carter, Miss Edwina Cox.

BAYNARD GOWEN VISITS. Seaman 2nd Class Baynard Gowen arrived here Sunday to spend a short time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Gowen, Sr. He left enroute to his base in Boston today.

NEW BABY BOY FOR CHANCEY FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. M.J. Chancey announce the birth of a 9 pound, 2 ounce baby boy, born October 14th. He has been named Marion Dewey. Mother and baby are getting along nicely at last reports.

LOST: Somewhere near Suwannee Store last Saturday night, a package containing a rose colored night gown, a big yellow flowered skirt and black eyeglass case with blue lining. Finder please leave at Suwannee Store. --- Estelle Woolard.

FORMER ST. GEORGE CITIZEN DIES AT JACKSONVILLE. Fitzgerald Osteen, 46, of Jacksonville, died Friday in a hospital in Jacksonville after a brief illness. He was a native of Charlton County and went to Jacksonville about 32 years ago. He was an employee of the Jacksonville Health Dept. Survivors include his wife, four daughters, four sons, four sisters, four brothers and four stepchildren.

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PURPLE HEART AWARD GRANTED FOR EUGENE PEARCE. The Purple Heart Award has been posthumously granted for Pvt. Oscar Eugene Pearce who died in Italy July 12th as the result of being wounded in battle the previous day. The beautiful medal, inscribed with his name has been received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Pearce. The Infantry Combat Badge has also been posthumously awarded, but this has not yet arrived.

CLOTHING SENT TO WAR VICTIMS IN EUROPE. The boxes of clothes collected here last week for the needy of Europe were on their way to a port in South Carolina Monday. They will be shipped with all those from the southeastern states to the countries of greatest need. There were seven boxes, weighing 313 pounds containing 455 garments of all kinds.

KINGSLAND HIGHWAY UNDER WATER. Swollen by the recent heavy rains, the St. Marys River is reported to be out of its banks in the vicinity of Coleraine and almost a mile of the Kingsland Highway has been under water for the past several days. Traffic has been completely halted. The flood waters were reported to be receding yesterday.

STORM DAMAGED LOCAL TELEPHONE SYSTEM. Folkston's telephone system was hard hit by last Thursday's storm, a large number of phones were put out of service due to damage to the lines. Mr. B. Parker, owner of the system, has been handicapped in restoring service because of his inability to secure workmen for the job. He operates telephone systems at Ludowici and Reidsville which were also damaged by the storm.

SCOTT BROTHERS MEET IN PACIFIC AREA. Carl Jr. and Malcolm Scott, brothers, had the unusual experience of meeting "somewhere in the far-away Pacific" during October and enjoyed several days of being together. Both are Navy boys but had not seen each other since June, 1943. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Scott of Waycross, former residents of Folkston.

HEAVY RAINFALL DAMAGED PECAN CROP. Last Thursday's storm was accompanied by a rainfall that measured just under ten inches, it is reported by T.W. Wrench, volunteer weather reporter who maintains a rain gauge at his home. The ten-inch rainfall was for a 24-hour period and is believed to be almost a record. The pecan crop of this community suffered heavy damage, many immature nuts being blown from the trees, and large quantities of mature nuts washed away from the flooded groves.

RAY GIBSON AWARDED MEDAL. The Army Good Conduct Medal was presented to Sgt. Leston R. Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. S.G. Gibson in a ceremony somewhere in England. He is with the 8th AAF Fighter Wing in England. This medal is awarded on completion of one year of active military service during a state of war to enlisted men. Sgt. Gibson is a radio operator in the 8th Fighter Command Operation Control Fighter Wing.

NEW BABY BOY FOR PAGE FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Page announce the birth of a baby boy weighing 8 pounds, born October 25 at the Woodbine Hospital. The baby has been named Franklin Lawrence. Mrs. Page is the former Miss Annie Pearl Gowen.
FOR SALE. One good eight-day mantel clock. B.W. Kennison, Folkston.

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SENATOR PREDICTS VICTORY SOON. The U.S. Navy's smashing victory in Philippine waters probably has shortened the war by six months, Senator Tydings, Democrat of Maryland declared this week. He figured the savings at "thousands of lives and billions in national treasure."

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL SELECTS PRINCE, PRINCESS. Each group of the grammar school chose a prince and princess to represent each room at the recent Halloween carnival. The boys and girls worked for their classmates, getting votes for them at one cent a vote. Lynette McQueen, grade 4-B was crowned grammar school princess and Bobby Harper, grade 2-C was crowned as prince. The amount received in the contest was \$187.00. The prince and princess for each room were: 2-A, Eddie Nixon and Yvonne Harrison. 2-B, J.H. Kight and Carolyn Lewis. 2-C, Bobby Harper and Marguerite Player. 3-A, Carl Harris and Faye Herrin. 3-B, Clifford Chesser and Ruby Johns. 3-C, Freddie McLean and LaVerne Lewis. 4-A, Morris McHan and Lillian Aldridge. 4-B, Curtis Harris and Lynette McQueen. 4-C, Norris Johnson and Ophelia Mizell. 5-A, Tommy Gowen and Mary Connie Sikes. 5-B, Gene Paul Askew and Annette Brock. 6-A, George Rhoan Gowen and Juanita Hodges. 6-B, Jake Smith and Mallette Brown. 7-A, J.M. Brock and Oleta Merle Gibson. 7-B, S.L. Pickren and Lanier Gibson.

BILL McQUEEN SERVING IN HAWAIIAN ISLANDS. S.Sgt. William A. McQueen has arrived at a post in the Hawaiian Islands near Honolulu where he has been assigned to serve in an Army Air Transport Command. He writes that he was surprised to find S.Sgt. Homer Allen serving at the same air base. The two Folkston boys naturally had a joyous reunion. Sgt. Allen has been station in this area for more than two years.

MISS STAPLETON AT CAMP STEWART. Miss Kathleen Stapleton of Camp Stewart spent the weekend here with her parents.

November 10, 1944

FARLEY CRAWFORD DIED OF GUNSHOT WOUNDS. Farley Crawford, age about 55, was instantly killed and Bruce Thompson, about 40, was critically wounded in a blazing gun battle between the two men at St. George late Sunday afternoon. Both are well known residents of the St. George community. The two men had been at outs for a long time according to reports and an encounter between the two was narrowly averted Friday night and Crawford is reported to have made threats against the life of Thompson. The fatal encounter took place on the Moniac Road in the edge of St.

George where Crawford is said to have been sitting along side the road. As Thompson drove by in a truck Crawford opened fire with a pistol. Thompson jumped from the truck armed with a shotgun. Crawford fired his gun four times, three of the bullets taking effect. Badly wounded Thompson fired his gun twice at Crawford. He then drew a pistol and fired three times. Crawford died immediately. The fatal encounter was witnessed by three children of Mr. Thompson, who were in the truck with their father. The deceased, a veteran of World War One is survived by several children as well as three brothers, Tom Crawford, Jim and George Crawford.

CONGRESSMAN GIBSON TO SPEAK OVER RADIO. Congressman John S. Gibson will deliver an address at an American Legion celebration to be held in Valdosta on Armistice Day, November 11. He will speak twenty minutes and explain the privileges and benefits under the G.I. Bill of Rights. The program will begin at 11:30 and will continue until 12 noon and will be broadcast over the Valdosta, Waycross and Brunswick radio stations.

CHARLTON COUNTY REELECTS ROOSEVELT. With a total of well over 500 votes polled in Tuesday's General Election, Charlton County joined the nation in its overwhelming endorsement of President Franklin D. Roosevelt who has been reelected to lead the nation in the critical period of the closing days of the war and in preparing for the peace to follow.

SGT. CLARK AWARDED SPECIAL BADGE. At an 8th Air Force Bomber Station in England - Sgt. Lewis G. Clark, Folkston is a member of a bombardment group whose division has been cited by President Roosevelt for a bombing attack on targets in Germany on January 11, 1944. Sgt. Clark is now entitled to wear the Presidential Citation Badge, a blue ribbon with a gold border over the right pocket of a blouse. Sgt. Clark, who is a mechanic in the engineering section of his B-17 Flying Fortress squadron, has been in England over two years. He is the son of Mrs. Sibbie Clark of Folkston and was an automobile mechanic before entering the Army.

W.L. HULING PROMOTED. At an 8th Air Force Bomber Station in England - The promotion of Walter L. Huling, Jr. from Sergeant to Staff Sergeant has been announced by the commander of the group stationed in England. Sgt. Huling is a waist gunner on an 8th Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress engaged in bombing war plants in Germany and military defense plants of the nazi army in western Europe. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Huling, Sr. Prior to his entering the Air Force in September 1942 he was employed by the Hercules Powder Co.

HONAHER - PRESCOTT WEDDING. A marriage that will be of interest to friends is that of Miss Elizabeth Honaher and Paul Proctor Prescott, which took place at the home of R.A.T. Clements in Newport News, Va. on October 23rd. Miss Honaher is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Honaher of Honaher, Va. After completing high school she went in training for a nurse at the University of Virginia. Mr. Prescott is the son of Mrs. Mary Prescott and is serving in the Navy at Norfolk. They will make their home at Newport News.

RUSSELL - ADKINS WEDDING. A marriage of interest in Folkston was that of Miss Raymond Idell Russell to Sgt. John E. Adkins, USA of Jacksonville. The wedding was solemnized October 21 in the Spring Hill Methodist Church in Jacksonville. They are making their home in Jacksonville. She is a graduate of Jones Business College. The groom was connected with the Florida Motor Lines and is now stationed at Camp Blanding.

PRESCOTT - ELLIS. Announcement is made by Mrs. Mary Prescott of the marriage of her youngest daughter, Leila, to E. Kearnes Ellis, October 27th at Main Street Baptist Church in Jacksonville. She is a graduate of Jones Business College and has been employed as a secretary for the past eighteen months. Mr. Ellis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Ellis of Alma and is a veteran of 25 months in the southwest Pacific serving with the famous Fighting Seabees of the US Navy.

November 17, 1944

LITTLE LINDA PEARL HIERS DIED. Little Linda Pearl Hiers, four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.D. Hiers, of Jacksonville, passed away at the home of her parents November 11 after an extended illness. Funeral services were held at Burns-Naughton Chapel in Jacksonville and interment took place in the Folkston Cemetery. The little girl had been seriously ill for the past six months. Three months ago she underwent an operation for a tumor of the kidney. However the operation was not successful and she grew gradually worse until the end came Saturday. Besides her parents, survivors include a brother, Dallas; a sister, Mary Jean; grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. A.D. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Hires; uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hiers, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Hiers and many other relatives.

J.M. VICKERS WOUNDED IN ACTION IN GERMANY. Pvt. J.M. Vickers was slightly wounded in action on a battlefield in Germany on October 26th according to information received by his wife, the former Miss Doris Barnes. Mrs. Vickers received a letter from her husband dated November 1st from a hospital in France stating he was slightly wounded in the shoulder and was getting along fine. She was officially notified by the War Department on November 12. Pvt. Vickers landed on D-Day and has fought all across France and into the edges of Germany with the forces of the First Army. He has taken part in some of the hardest fighting of the Invasion. Prior to entering the Army he was employed in the office of the Hercules Co. at the local camp.

J.R. THRIFT HAS OVER FORTY MISSIONS WITH THE "JOLLY ROGERS". A Charlton County combat pilot with the Army Air Force, who is making a fine record in the Pacific Area is Lt. James R. Thrift, serving with the famed "Jolly Rogers", according to information received by friends. Lt. Thrift has been serving in the Pacific Area for the past eight months as a pilot of a B-24 Liberator, bombing Japanese objectives. He entered the army in the spring of 1942 and graduated as a lieutenant and was assigned a heavy bombardment. He has moved up with McArthur's forces and is now close to the front lines in the Philippines. He has over forty missions to his credit. Lt. Thrift, known to his friends here as J.R. is the son of Mrs. J.R. Thrift of Winokur.

MISS GOWEN AND MISS McLEAN STUDYING TO BE NURSES. Miss Jane Gowen and Miss Helen McLean, student nurses at the St. Joseph Hospital in Savannah, spent the weekend here with their parents.

BABY GIRL FOR STAPLETON FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. C. Pearce Stapleton announce the birth of a fine baby girl born November 11 at the Fleming Hospital. The baby weighed seven pounds, 6 - ounces and has been named Frances Hazel. Both mother and baby are getting along fine.

FOR SALE: Syrup bottles, quart and pint, with crowns for same. See S.L. Pickren at grand-daddy's after 4:00 P.M.

November 24, 1944

DAUGHT LAMBERT DIED IN AUTO ACCIDENT. Phibia Lambert, an aged colored woman better known in the community as "Daught" Lambert, was fatally injured Friday when she was struck and knocked down by an automobile driven by a son of Rufus Edwards. The accident occurred in the eastern part of the city. It is said the aged woman stepped directly in front of the moving auto. She was about 65 or 70 was a long time resident of Folkston and was highly regarded by all who knew her.

CHARLIE HODGES RESIDENCE DESTROYED BY FIRE. The two-story residence belonging to Charlie Hodges of St. George was totally destroyed by fire last Wednesday. Occupants of the property were Mr. and Ms. Alex Hodges who lived on the lower floor, the owner using the upper rooms. All of the household effects were lost in the flames. Mrs. Hodges had been working in the garden and went into the house to look after a small child left asleep in the building. Shortly afterwards she discovered the flames in the upper rooms just as the roof was about to fall in. She managed to get the five children out as well as a few articles of clothing and some food. The Alex family suffered practically all the loss of their household belongings. There was no insurance. The good people of St. George gave Mrs. Hodges some assistance by providing clothes for the children and some furniture.

LAWRENCE WILDES SERVING IN GERMANY. S.Sgt. Lawrence J. Wildes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Wildes, is serving with the "Gallopings Ghosts" of the Allied Forces, 2nd Armored Division now operating in the First Army Area somewhere in Germany.

M.D. THRIFT BUILDING NEW HOME IN WINOKUR. Postmaster Dave M. Thrift, Winokur, was a business visitor here Monday. He is building an attractive new home at Winokur, which will be completed in almost two weeks.

BABY GIRL FOR GOWEN FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Randal Gowen announce the birth of a baby girl born November 15 at Simmons Hospital in Woodbine. The baby weighed 8-pounds and has been named Donna Louise. Both mother and baby are getting along fine. They returned home Monday.

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NATHAN CREWS ARRIVES IN ENGLAND SAFELY. Pfc Nathan Crews has arrived safely in England. He will be stationed there pending his transfer to the fighting front in France and Germany.

CAPTAIN JOHN C. WHITE KILLED IN ACTION. Captain John C. White, 25 years old, was killed in action November 14 in the China-India Area, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.G. White were advised in an official message received from the War Department on November 24. The message was sent to his wife, Mrs. Gladys Land White of Seminole, Oklahoma and was relayed by telephone to his parents here. No details concerning the manner in which the young officer lost his life was contained in the message. When his parents last heard from him a few days ago, Captain White was stationed at an army air base in India, where he was assigned to duty as pilot of a C-47 transport plane in service between India and China with the Air Transport Command. His plane carried war supplies to China and brought back injured soldiers. The route covers the most dangerous flying terrain known and transport planes are unarmed and are frequently the target of Japanese air raiders. Captain White was born and reared here and was one of

Charlton County's most promising and highly-regarded young men. He was a graduate of Charlton County High School and attended Abraham Baldwin College. Entering the armed forces three years ago, Captain White completed training as a pilot and through his faithful service rapidly won promotion to the rank of Captain. His death has brought the deepest sorrow throughout the community. Besides his wife, Mrs. Gladys Land White, to whom he was married about a year ago, survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.G. White; two brothers, Harold White of the US Navy now serving in the Pacific and George White. The grief-stricken family will have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community in their sorrow and bereavement.

HOMELAND POST OFFICE MOVED. The Homeland Post Office has been moved from its former quarters to a new location in a building next door to the home of Postmaster Earl Garrison. The post office has ample space in its new quarters and Postmaster Garrison announces he will operate a grocery store in the same building.

DANCE AT MONIAC SCHOOL FRIDAY. There will be a dance at the Moniac school building Friday evening. Music will be furnished by the Lake City, Fla. band and a very pleasant evening is anticipated.

LIONS CLUB SPONSORS BOY SCOUTS. The local Lions Club is sponsoring the Boy Scouts. The Scout committee is composed of Lions J.B. Hinson, R.E. Player, J.B. Southwell, W.D. Jones, Troy Conner and W.W. Pickren. William S. Smith will serve as Scoutmaster. He has had extensive experience with scout work.

HAROLD GOWEN GETS RATIONS AND SUPPLIES TO FELLOW SOLDIERS IN MUDDY MOUNTAINS. With the Fifth Army, Italy ñ Pfc Sidney Harold Gowen is one of a group who has led mule packs carrying supplies through the Apennine Mountains of the Gothic Line in Italy with the Blue Devil Division of General Mark Clark's Fifth Army. Harold has trekked up and down some of the roughest, highest and muddiest mountains in which troops have ever fought. Bringing rations, water and ammunition to infantrymen fighting on high peaks has been his great task as his fellow-troops of the "Kraut-Killer" regiment slug their way through the muddy crags. Because of the nature of the terrain and proximity to enemy lines the trains usually travel by night to avoid being spotted by the Germans. Supplying fighting men by mule-pack is a slow and difficult process but it has proved to be the only certain method of supply through the rugged, rain-soaked mountains.

ELECTION OF CITY OFFICIALS NEXT WEEK. Folkston's annual city election is set for next Tuesday when the mayor, three city councilmen and the city clerk are to be named. The present staff of city officials has qualified as candidates for re-election without opposition, the only new name on the list is that of William Mizell as candidate for city council to succeed Councilman Passieu. The candidates to be voted on in Tuesday's election are: Mayor, C.J. Passieu; City Councilmen, E.B. Stapleton, Russell Johnson and William Mizell; City Clerk, Mrs. Gertrude Johnson. The holdover members of the council are John Southwell and Theo Dinkins. George R. Gowen, Jr. city attorney and W.T. Johnson, chief of police complete the roster of city officials.

LOUIE PASSIEU AWARDED AIR MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE. Flight Officer Louie Passieu has won the Air Medal Award for outstanding service as a Flight Engineer aboard a B-29 Super-Fortress Bomber in the China-India Theater of Operations. He has seen service on a number of bombing missions over Japan and Japanese-held territory. He recently aided in landing a huge B-29 from a height of ten thousand feet, with all engines dead, a feat that was believed to be impossible. The

service of young Passieu has also merited an oak-leaf cluster but the official orders for this have not yet come through.

SGT. BILL McQUEEN IS STATIONED IN MARIANA ISLANDS. S.Sgt. William A. McQueen is now stationed at an Army Air Base in the Mariana Islands, serving with the Army Air Transport Command. The island of Saipan is one of the Mariana's group where a new B-29 super-fortress base has recently been established and from which bombing missions on Tokyo have already been carried out.

GEORGIA PRODUCTS DINNER SERVED TO LIONS. Tuesday night was Ladies Night for the Lions Club and the dinner was served by the homemaking education department of the high school in the school dining room was a "Georgia Products Dinner." The menu included baked turkey and dressing, turnip greens, pears, cornbread, sweet potato pie and milk. If that isn't a meal "fit for a king", you name it.

HARRY QUICK STATIONED IN NEW GUINEA. Harry Quick has arrived at a naval base somewhere in New Guinea. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Quick of Waycross, formerly of this city. He was employed with H.H. Burnett of Waycross before entering the service.

LIONS SPONSOR CLEAN-UP AND RAT-KILLING CAMPAIGN. The Lions Club at its meeting Tuesday night accepted a campaign for an activity to clean up unsightly places and eradicate rats in Folkston. The plan is to divide the club into two teams, responsible for cleaning up half the town and eradicating rats in the area. They will compete and their work will be judged on December 19th. The losing team will roll the winner through the streets in wheelbarrows, accompanied by a parade of the losing team. The losers will entertain all with stunts at the Lions Club meeting immediately following. The town is divided by the railroad with the Reds responsible for the east half and the Blues for the west half. Lion Jones is the captain of the Reds with Lions Johnson, McCoy, Mallard, Mizell, Stapleton, Fleming, Passieu, Smith, Sikes, Harrison and Mesdames E.B. Stapleton, Southwell, McCoy, Lillian Crews and Fleming. Blues ñ Lion Harris, captain, Lions Dinkins, Hinson, Lewis, Pickren, Stokes, Southwell, Gilbert, Bowen, Player, Bragg, Mesdames Dinkins, Raynor, Gibson, Bowen and Pickren. On Thursday afternoon, December 7th everybody is to help sweep the street from the courthouse to the Okefenokee Station. The interest and help of everyone in the city is requested in this city-wide program.

DOUGLAS R. BROWN AND IVEY WALKER KILLED IN ACTION. The casualty list released this week by the War Department contains the names of two soldiers from this area who were reported as killed in action. They are Cpl. Douglas R. Brown of St. George. Next of kin is listed as Mrs. Carmen G. Brown, wife. He was killed in the European Area.

Pfc Ivey Walker. Mrs. Alice Walker is his mother. He was from Hickox. He was killed in the Mediterranean Area.

NEW BABY BOY FOR HALL FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Winston Hall announce the birth of a baby boy born November 26th at the McCoy Clinic. The baby weighed 8 æ pounds and has been named Dale Wallace Hall.

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DR. SAWYER AWARDED BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Major James L. Sawyer, formerly a Folkston physician, now serving with the Army Medical Corps in the drive on Germany, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement during June 14 to

September 25 in France, Belgium and Holland.

B.A. ALTMAN AND SON TO ESTABLISH SHOE REPAIR SHOP. The people of Folkston are notified that in the near future Folkston will have a much needed, modern and up to date shoe repair shop. The machinery is being purchased this week and will be installed by the first of the year. It will be operated by B.A. Altman and Son.

PRIVATE EZEKIEL CAYTON TO VISIT HERE. Pfc Ezekiel Cayton of the Quartermaster Corps has returned to this country after 28 months service overseas in the Asiatic and Pacific Theaters of Operation. He is expected to arrive here soon to visit his sister, Mrs. Isabel Crews.

GENE WILLIAMS HAS ARRIVED SAFELY SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND. Cpl. Eugene M. Williams has arrived safely in England. Prior to his entry into the armed forces he was employed by the Hercules Co. at Baldwin, Fla.

JUNIOR STEWART IS VISITING HOME FOLKS. Sgt. Domingo Layton Stewart, Jr. of the famous First Marine Division reached Folkston this week for a 30-day visit with his parents after nearly 30 months of active service in the hard fought campaign for the Pacific Islands. The last campaign in which Sgt. Stewart's outfit fought was the capture of Peleliu Island in the Palau group. The division has made an outstanding record in the Pacific Island campaign. He arrived in San Diego fourteen days ago where he was processed for reassignment. At the expiration of his leave he will report to Quantico, Virginia Marine Base. Junior was one of the first of the Folkston boys to enter the armed forces. He is being warmly welcomed home by his many friends.

FOLKSTON CITY ELECTION. In Folkston's annual city election Tuesday C.J. Passieu was named to serve as Mayor for a two-year term. Elected with him were three members of the city council, E.B. Stapleton, Russell Johnson and William Mizell. The hold-over members of the board are J.B. Southwell and Theo Dinkins. Mrs. Gertrude Johnson was re-elected to serve as City Clerk.

LOTT FIVE AND TEN CENT STORE MOVES TO EAST SIDE OF TOWN. The Lott Five and Ten Cent Store has been moved into the building vacated by Mr. Gibson and formerly occupied by the Suwannee Store. The building in the Wade Block vacated by the Ten Cent Store has been rented.

DAVIS - JACOBS WEDDING. Mrs. H.J. Davis announces the marriage of her daughter Ruby Beatrice to James Perry Jacobs of Hilliard. The ceremony took place December 1st in the study of the Methodist Parsonage. Miss Davis was reared in Folkston and attended Andrew College and Virginia Intermont. Mr. Jacobs has been in the employ of the government as an engineer in Trinidad and points on the west coast. He is connected with his brother in law in business at Hilliard. The young couple are residing at the home of Mrs. Davis, the bride's mother.

KIRBY JONES RECEIVES PURPLE HEART AWARD. Pfc Kirby Jones who is in service in the Pacific Theater of Operations received a Purple Heart Award for slight wounds received in action. Friends of the young soldier will be glad to learn that he was not seriously wounded.

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SCHOOL TRUSTEES TO BE ELECTED. Charlton County's school trustees are to be elected on December 18th in all the local school districts. In the Folkston District candidates qualified to be voted on include O.C. Mizell, Harry Johnson, J.A. Prevatt, W.W. Pickren and S.M. Howard. In the St. George District, the candidates are E. Bell,

Frank Conner and Noah Stokes. This is the first election for school trustees held in a number of years, the terms of all present Board members having expired.

MRS. GERTRUDE WALKER DRURY DIED. Mrs. Gertrude Walker Drury, 76, of Jacksonville, died Monday following a long illness. She was a native of Brantley County and had been a resident of Jacksonville for 27 years. She was the mother of Mrs. S.A. O'Quinn and is survived also by four other daughters and four sons.

SCHOOL CENSUS TO BE TAKEN. The schools of Charlton County will be closed Friday for a two-day holiday while the teachers are taking a county-wide school census. A house-to-house canvas of the county is to be made by the teachers. It is the purpose of the census to contact every family and secure detailed information as to the educational status of both children and adults.

BLUE WILLOW CAFE CLOSED FOR REDECORATING. The Blue Willow Caf  has been closed while the interior of the building has been repainted and redecorated. It is now under the management of V.J. Pickren, owner of the building.

LIONS CLUB CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN SUSPENDED. The present cold wave collided head-on with the Folkston Lions Club clean up and rat killing campaign with the result that activities of the drive have been temporarily suspended. However, the warden of the local convict camp came to the rescue and a crew of his work men have been assigned to the job of cleaning up Main Street through the business district. This work is now in progress and the street is being given a thorough cleaning, including the sidewalks.

TIMOTHY HAYWOOD SERVES ON FEDERAL JURY. Charlton County jurors serving in the United States Court for the Southern District of Georgia in Waycross this week include P.O. Stokes, W.L. Thomas, Troy Conner and Timothy Haywood, colored. This is the first time a Charlton County Negro has served as a juror in a Waycross Federal Court so far as this paper has been able to learn.

JAMES RIGGINS VISITING HERE. SPV 3-C James Riggins of Patuxent, Maryland spent the last week here with friends and home folks.

EDWIN STOKES VISITING PARENTS. T. Sgt. Edwin Stokes, stationed at a post in New York arrived this week to spend a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Stokes.

COLD WEATHER. Unusual weather has frozen up social activities in Folkston this week to such an extent that everyone remained at home by the fire, leaving this paper a column to fill with nothing to fill it with. Perhaps the populace will thaw out sufficient to provide us with a little news for next week's paper.

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MR. CLINTON L. JOHNSON DIED. Clinton L. Johnson, 85, a resident of Folkston for more than forty years passed away Saturday at the home of his daughter Mrs. T.J. Gardner in Baxley. He had been in declining health for some time but was stricken with a sudden attack two weeks ago. A native of Camden County, he spent his entire lifetime in this section, moving to Folkston from Nassau County more than forty years ago. He would have celebrated his 85th birthday in January. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Margaret Williams; two sons, Harley Clinton Johnson and James Clyde Johnson with the US Navy; three daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Davis, Mrs. T.J. Gardner and Mrs. J.C. Guinn; grandchildren and great grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Kate Williams. Funeral services were held at Folkston Baptist Church and interment took place in

Folkston Cemetery.

MR. JAMES ALTMAN KILLED IN ARGUMENT. James Altman, 75, well known Pierce County farmer, father of Ozzie Altman, was shot and fatally wounded at his home near Blackshear Wednesday. He was shot just below the heart and died a few hours later in a Waycross hospital. The fatal encounter resulted from an argument near the Altman home between him and Walter Peace and L.P. Grainger, turpentine operators. Besides his son Ozzie Altman, survivors include four daughters and two other sons, Joe Altman and Curtis Altman. Funeral services were held at Alabama Free Will Baptist Church in Pierce County.

MRS. LOMIE ELIZABETH DRURY DIED. Mrs. Lomie Elizabeth Drury, sister of Mrs. J.C. Allen, passed away Tuesday at her home in Jacksonville. She was a native of Charlton County and has been a resident of Jacksonville for 23 years. Besides Mrs. Allen, she is survived by another sister and five brothers as well as four daughters and three sons. Funeral services were held at Mount Zion Church near Macclenny, Fla.

METHODIST CHURCH TO HAVE SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM. The Christmas cantata "Noel" will be held at the Methodist Church this Sunday night in observance of Christmas. The regular evening service at the Baptist Church has been cancelled and their congregation will join the Methodists in attending this special musical program. It will be directed by Miss Bernice Pearce at the piano. Those singing in the cantata will include Misses Vivian Wright, Frances Mizell, Jean Pickren, Betty Southwell, Joyce Brown, Nancy Hinson, Marjorie Solomon, Mrs. Alva Hopkins, Mrs. Kirby Jones, Mrs. L.D. Majors and Mrs. Myrtle Renfro.

OSCAR E. STEWART ARRIVES SAFELY IN DUTCH EAST INDIES. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Stewart of Savannah, will be interested to learn of the safe arrival of their son, Sgt. Oscar E. Stewart somewhere in the Dutch East Indies. Another son, Sgt. A.H. Stewart is also with the armed forces, stationed at Mt. Home, Idaho. The boys are grandsons of Mrs. Joseph P. Mizell.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BUY WAR BONDS. The Sunday School classes of the Methodist Church of Homeland purchased two \$25.00 bonds for use on an after-the-war building program.

SGT. WILLIE E. CLARK VISITS HERE. Sgt. and Mrs. Willie E. Clark of Hunter Field, Savannah and Mildred Clark of Charleston were weekend visitors of Mrs. Sibbie Clark.

STUDENT NURSE BETTY TYSON VISITS HERE. Miss Betty Tyson, student nurse in the Army Nurse Cadet Corps at Crawford W. Long Hospital in Atlanta, has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

CHRISTMAS ADVERTISEMENTS. During this war-time holiday season, there were no Christmas ads in the Charlton County Herald concerning merchandise of local stores.

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J.C. JONES DIED IN HOME FIRE. J.C. Jones, colored, about 35 years old, met a flaming death when his home in Black Bottom section was burned to the ground last Saturday. He was employed at the St. Marys Pulp Mill. He was alone in the home at the time. His wife said he had been drinking and had lost considerable sleep working at night. The fire started while the man's wife was up town on an errand.

BRUNSWICK SHIPYARD WORKERS VOLUNTEERED. More than 1500 Brunswick shipyard employees voluntarily gave up their Christmas holiday to work without pay on

a cargo-carrying vessel as a Christmas gift to the men on the fighting fronts. An additional 500 volunteers worked on the night shift.

BEAUTIFUL MUSICAL SUNDAY EVENING. At the union service Sunday night the Christmas cantata "Noel" was presented by a number of young ladies of the Methodist and Baptist churches under direction of Miss Bernice Pearce. This was one of the most enjoyable musical programs ever presented in Folkston and the young ladies who took part were highly commended by all present.