

**BIRTHDAY SURPRISE IS GIVEN FOR MRS. BARR**

Honoring Mrs. Ursel Barr, who was observing her birthday, a surprise party was given Saturday evening at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Barr, northeast of Clarence.

Mrs. Barr received several nice gifts, including an angel food cake bearing pink candles, which was baked by her mother, Mrs. James Hagan.

Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served to the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carothers, Lieut. (j.g.) and Mrs. Victor Carothers and daughter, Vicki Kay, Mr. and Mrs. James Hagan, Taylor Hagan of Fulton, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Smock and children, Wyleta and Eddie K., Mr. and Mrs. Denver Barr and son, Denver LaVerle, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Barr, Mrs. Wesley Hutton and the honoree.

**NEWS FROM THE ARMY AND NAVY**

**FOUR MEN RECLASSIFIED BY LOCAL BOARD FRIDAY**

New classifications made by the local board August 18, are as follows:

Class I-A—Lloyd Elwood Gordon, Shelbyville; Paul Laverne Strachan, Shelbyville.

Class II-B—Arnold Dean Sherwood, Hunnewell.

Class II-C—Harold Eugene Paint-

and that he had returned recently from a trip to Dallas, Texas, and Miami, Fla.

**Spends Furlough Here**

S/Sgt. Wilson Hill, who is stationed at Avon Park, Fla., arrived Saturday to spend a 15 day furlough with his wife and son, south of Clarence and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hill.

**Spends Furlough Here**

Cpl. Lewis Meisner, who is stationed at Camp Livingston, La., arrived Sunday and will spend a ten day furlough in Shelbyville with his wife, and here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Meisner.

**Is Moved**

T/Sgt. Jay Kelso of Shelbyville, who is in the North African Area, has been moved east, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelso, of Shelbyville. Sgt. Kelso has been overseas more than two years.

Sgt. Lawrence Fessler and wife, of Fort Leonard Wood, left Monday night after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Whitehead, at Macon, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Fessler, at Wein.

**Returns From Hannibal**

Mrs. Joe Patton returned home yesterday after spending several days in Hannibal with her sister, Mrs. John Baumgartner.

**Spends Week End**

Miss Helen Peterman was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Vickers of Clarence, over the

**RIDGWAY REUNION HELD AT CLARK HOME SUNDAY**

Sunday, four generations of the Ridgway family gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Lee Clark, southeast of Clarence, in honor of Pfc. Charles Baxter Ridgway, of Camp Bowie, Texas. At the noon hour a delicious dinner was served cafeteria style.

Those present to enjoy the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Ridgway, Jane and June, Frank Ridgway, of Columbia, Mr. and Mrs. John Ridgway, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fible of Palmyra, Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood Ridgway, Glenon and Ieda, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Weatherford, Betty and Charlotte, of Shelbyville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griggs, Varian and Charles, Mrs. Ida Ridgway of Anabel, Mrs. Betty Snyder of Clarence, Mrs. C. E. Rodgers, C. L., Malcolm, Barbara and Mry, of E. St. Louis, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bruner, Mr. and Mrs. John Larrick, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Corder, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Lee Clark and Patricia Jean, south of Clarence, and the honoree, Pfc. Charles Baxter Ridgway, of Camp Bowie, Texas. All of Mrs. Ridgway's eight children were present except a daughter, Mrs. Frank Benson, of Keokuk, Iowa.

Besides Mrs. Ridgway having the pleasure of being with four generations, her only sister, Mrs. Snyder, also had the pleasure of being the only great, great aunt in the family present.

In the afternoon music was enjoyed and left at a late hour.

**COL. J. B. TAYLOR IS KILLED IN ACTION**

Col. James Bentley Taylor, 49, of an armored division under General Patton, was killed in action August 2 in France, according to a message received by his wife, who lives in Brookfield, August 16. He was a veteran of World War 1.

Col. Taylor's father, Dr. J. O. Taylor, for many years a Methodist district superintendent here, died Memorial Day.

Col. Taylor graduated from the Brookfield high school and the University of Missouri, receiving his commission at the training school of the university and continued in the army as a career.

Besides Mrs. Taylor two daughters survive, Lalia Ann and Mary Virginia Taylor, both students in the University of Missouri. Mrs. Taylor has been living with her mother, Mrs. W. E. Madden, in Brookfield for the past year.

Col. Taylor's step-mother, Mrs. Susie Boring Taylor, lived in Clarence many years and he is well known here because of having made visits here frequently.

**Have a Son**

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Baker, north of Lentner, on Saturday morning. He weighed nine pounds and has been given the name of Larry Don.

The mother was Virginia Leftriter, Glenn

**PFC. J. O. VAN OSDOL IS KILLED IN ACTION IN ITALY**

Pfc. Joseph O. Van Osdol, former athletic coach at Shelbyville high school, was killed in action in Italy August 1, according to word received Friday by his wife, Mrs. Nylene Van Osdol, of Hannibal. No details were given in the message from the war department which said a letter would follow.

He was born June 27, 1912, in Bucklin, Mo., where he lived prior to entering college. His family was one of the most prominent in that section of the state. He received his degree of B.S. in education in 1932 from Culver-Stockton college, Canton, and later took work toward his master's degree at University of Missouri.

He taught for 11 years in northern Missouri including schools at Farber, Bucklin and Shelbyville. He had served for three years as principal at Tilden before entering service August 17, 1943. He was highly regarded as an educator and as a leader of young people.

Receiving his training at Camp Adair, Ore., Pfc. Van Osdol went overseas in April, this year. He was stationed in North Africa and in June was moved into Italy as a member of the 91st Division.

Surviving are his wife, one brother, Judge Paul Van Osdol, commissioner of the supreme court at Jefferson City, and two nephews, Col. Paul Van Osdol and Capt. Woodson Van Osdol, both of the U. S. army.

**BARR REUNION IS HELD SUNDAY AT MARSELUS HOME**

Members of the Barr family held their annual reunion Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Marselus and Mrs. Annie Barr, northeast of Clarence, in honor of Lieut. (j.g.) Victor L. Carothers.

Each brought well filled baskets and a large table was loaded with delicious food.

Those present to enjoy the occasion were: Lieut. (j.g.) and Mrs. Victor L. Carothers and daughter, Vicki Kay, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Carothers, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Barr, and son, Miss Belle Barr, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barr and sons of Montgomery City, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Barr and son, of Callao, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nothnagel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carothers and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Carothers and family, Mrs. Ursel Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Clark, Mrs. Bessie Carroll and Mrs. Frieda Pearl Ralls.

**Pvt. Albert Stevenson**



Pvt. Albert Stevenson left yesterday, after having spent several days here with his mother, Mrs. Nettie Stevenson, and his sister, Velma Jean. He was enroute to Camp Beal, Calif., where he is being transferred.

Pvt. Stevenson entered the service November 30, 1943, and attended a school for four months at Ft. Leavenworth, Kans. After the four months schooling he was transferred to Camp Crowder, Mo., where he received 19 weeks training as a line-man in the signal corps.

Prior to entering service, Pvt. Stevenson operated the projecting machine at the theatre here for seven years, and also for a year and one-half he was employed with the C. B. & Q. railroad.

**RECENT ARE**

WOOD—

On Friday

at one o'clock Wood, daughter of Master Sergeant Beck, son of

Lentner. They formed in the Kansas City,

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