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NEW MANAGEMENT FOR TWO WAREHOUSES

All Three to Operate This Year

Planters by Arch Wilson, Bryant Cottrell and Sterling Cottrell; Southside by Charlie Ford, Ben Wood and John Williamson; Union by Grover Harris and Numa Freeman

Within the past week announcements have been made concerning the operation of Louisville's three big tobacco warehouses. This information shows changes, not in the personnel of the Market but in the operation of two of the warehouses.

The Southside will be operated this year by Charlie Ford, John Williamson and Ben Wood. In this arrangement Mr. Wood remains with the house he has been with many years and Mr. Ford and Mr. Williamson changes from the Planters to the Southside. The assistants have not been named.

Messrs. Arch Wilson and Sterling Cottrell, who were operators of the Southside last year, together with Mr. Bryant Cottrell, will operate the Planters Warehouse this year. They have not named their assistants yet.

The Union Warehouse retains its former personnel in management, Messrs. Grover Harris and Numa Freeman. They likewise have not named their assistants. However these gentlemen are busy preparing all necessary arrangements and accommodations to handle a large quantity of tobacco in these popular houses this season. Just the complete operation of the new schedule has not been worked out as yet but this information will be given out in full time for the people to know just what it is.

Keep yourself posted on Louisville and its tobacco activity and arrange to sell with these popular warehousemen.

Buried At Louisville

The remains of Mr. M. F. Houck, who died at his home in Henderson early Saturday morning, following a long illness, were brought to Louisville and interred in Oakwood Cemetery, following the funeral at Henderson which was conducted by Rev. H. K. King, pastor of the local Methodist Church there. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisville Methodist Church.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three sons, Percy Houck, of Philadelphia, Pa., George Houck, of New Orleans, La., and Clifford Houck, of Nashville, Tenn., all of whom were in attendance at the funeral exercises. Mr. Houck was a resident of Louisville from around 1900 to near 1920 and was engaged in Construction Contracting. Because of the funeral arrangements not being generally known here many of his friends were not in attendance upon the last rites.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisville Theatre, beginning Saturday, July 3:

Saturday—Buster Crabbe in 'The Kid Rides Again' and Barton McLane in 'The Gentle Gangster,' also Chap 5 'Daredevils of West.'

Sunday—Tyrone Power with Anne Baxter in 'Crash Dive.'

Tuesday—Fay Bainter and Edward Arnold in 'The War Against Mrs. Hadley.'

Wednesday—Robert Paige and Frances Langford in 'Cowboy in Manhattan.'

Thursday-Friday—Ray Milland John Wayne, Paulette Goddard and Raymond Massey in 'Reap The Wild Wind.'

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Tobacco Session Fixes Sales Dates

Richmond, Va., June 30.—The U. S. Tobacco Association today adopted a schedule of market opening dates for auction sale of the nation's 1943 tobacco crop approximately the same as the opening dates of last year.

The association adopted recommendations of its sales committee on the market dates without discussion.

Dates for opening of the various belts recommended by the sales committee were:

South Carolina border belt—Thursday, Aug. 5.

Eastern North Carolina new bright belt—Tuesday, Aug. 24.

MIDDLE BELT—MONDAY, SEPT. 13.

Old belt—Monday, Sept. 20.

Virginia dark fire belt—Monday, Dec. 6.

The sales committee, in re-establishing the approximate opening dates of last year, disregarding urgent recommendations of a committee of North Carolina warehousemen and growers, supported by Gov. J. M. Broughton, for substantially earlier opening dates.

In most cases, the dates adopted by the association for 1943 were one day earlier than the corresponding 1942 dates.

R. A. Carrington, Jr., of Danville, Va., president of the association, said in annual report that the industry during the past 12 months had "faced as many changes and shocks as during any time in history."

Discussing the farm and warehouse labor shortage, he reminded members of the association that it is "the duty of everyone in the organization to use labor so there will be no detriment to the growers and no harm to the nation's food crop."

The association's legislative and manpower committee said in its report that it was working to get the industry classified as essential.

The War Manpower Commission, Selective Service and the Department of Agriculture all "have agreed" that the tobacco industry is essential, the committee said, "but none up to now has been willing to promulgate a directive to that effect."

The committee said it hoped to have "something more concrete" to report in this regard by the time the Georgia-Florida markets open.

"In reality, tobacco is being dealt with as an essential industry even now," the report said.

Rev. I. W. Hughes Dead

Henderson.—Funeral services for the Rev. Isaac Wayne Hughes, rector of Holy Innocents Episcopal Church here for 34 years, who died at the rectory Sunday after a long illness was held from Holy Innocents Church Tuesday at 5 p. m.

Bishop Edwin A. Penick, of Raleigh, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina, was in charge of the services. Interment was in Elmwood Cemetery here.

The Rev. Mr. Hughes, a native of Hendersonville, would have been 79 years of age on July 17. Before coming to Henderson in 1909 he served churches in Denison, Texas, and Fayetteville. He was the first chaplain of the 105th Medical Regiment of the North Carolina National Guard and retired with the rank of Major. For 27 years before his death he served as chaplain of the North Carolina division of the Travelers' Protective Association.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Adeline Edmonds Hughes, of Henderson and New York, and Alice Swann Hughes, of Henderson; and one son, Sgt. Isaac W. Hughes, Jr., U. S. Army.

MEAD JOINS IN MOVE TO DROP MOTOR STAMP

Washington, June 30.—Senator Mead (D-NY) who contends the \$5 use stamp levy on automobiles in a "pay-as-you-don't-go-tax for ration-ruled motorists," joined Representative Celler (D-NY) today in introducing legislation which would waive the tax until next Jan. 1 for passenger cars.

"The tax at issue is a 'use' tax," Mead said. "If the privilege of full and unrestricted use of an automobile is denied, obviously there should be no tax."

Great Britain has almost two million "allotment" or community war gardens.

IN EUROPE BEFORE AUTUMN

Churchill Indicates Heavy Fighting Before Autumn; U-Boats Now on Run

London, June 30.—In a buoyant and cheering speech, Prime Minister Churchill today forecast thrush this summer in the Mediterranean "and elsewhere", triumphantly reported a toll of 30-odd U-boats in May alone, and warned the Germans of an air offensive of ever greater wrath and destruction.

"Very probably there will be heavy fighting in the Mediterranean and elsewhere before the leaves of autumn fall," Britain's leader and master phrase-maker told a victory-minded assembly in London's blitz-blackened Guildhall.

Churchill delivered a confident war review there after receiving the ancient capital's highest token of acclaim—the freedom of the city—and after a tour through streets of cheering citizens and soldiers of Allied nations.

And Churchill concerned himself earnestly with Allied unity, declaring that upon British-American cooperation "depends more than upon any other factor the immediate future of the world"; that "acting together we can help all nations safely into harbor; and that if we divide, all will lose and drift for a long time on dark and stormy seas."

His war analysis repeated the Allied demand for "unconditional surrender" of the Nazi, Fascist and Japanese tyrannies, and again the Prime Minister promised that should Japan still stand when Germany and Italy are toppled, "every man, every ship and every airplane in the King's service that can be moved to the Pacific" will be sent there to fight "as many years as are needed to make the Japanese in their turn submit or bite the dust."

Of invasion, he stated directly only the prediction of probable fighting.

Of the submarine war, he declared that in May the Nazis made a determined effort to halt the Allied convoy bridge from the United States to Britain, but that this vital battle "ended in the total defeat of the U-boat attack."

Two Years

Raleigh Bakery Operator Also Fined \$2,450 on Sugar and Tire Violations

A sentence of two years in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta and fines totaling \$2,450 was the judgment in two OPA violation cases against Fred W. Staudt, Raleigh bakery operator Wednesday in Federal Court. The prison sentence will begin September 1 and until that time Staudt will be freed under \$3,000 bond.

Staudt was charged by the OPA on three counts of failing to register holdings of sugar amounting to 432,000 pounds, stored in Greenville, N. C. He also was charged on 23 counts with making false certifications on application for new tires and recapping tire services while he "had a large number of serviceable tires in his possession."

In sentencing Staudt, Judge I. M. Meekins of Elizabeth City, presiding, said, "I have no doubt, but he took the wrong turn. He knew that there was a war on and he knew of the regulations. The general public knows that what he has done is a flagrant violation of an act of Congress."

Judge Meekins then turned to OPA Attorney Clem B. Holding, who was prosecuting the case, and asked the attorney if he thought Staudt should be given a prison sentence. Holding answered, "Yes, Your Honor, I do. If I ever saw an OPA violation that demanded a prison sentence, this is it."

"What do you think the prison sentence should be?" Judge Meekins asked Holding.

The OPA attorney replied that he would "leave the matter up to your wisdom." Holding added that he realized that "a sentence of 30 days would as hard on a man of Staudt's type as a sentence of 30 months would be to a criminal." Holding pointed out that he did not think the maximum penalty should be given Staudt because, under the provisions of the law, the maximum in the 26 counts would be a total of "260 years in prison and a fine of \$260,000."

Judge Meekins agreed that the maximum would be too much. He then announced his judgment of a sentence of two years and a fine of \$2,450.

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Employer Meeting Tonight

There will be a meeting of Employers Friday (to-night) July 2, 1943, at 8:30 o'clock in the school building at Franklinton. A very important meeting called by the War Manpower Commission, of Raleigh, for Franklin County for the purpose of discussing and interpreting the Stabilization Plan effecting the control of Labor movement. All employers are invited to be present or have a representative there in order that a uniform interpretation and practice may be affected. This includes essential and non-essential employers. L. J. Craven, Manager of the Raleigh Local Office of the U. S. Employment Service will be in charge of the meeting, and Mr. P. B. Pollock, Area Director for the War Manpower Commission will be the Interpreter. Every employer in Franklin County is invited.

New Restrictions Placed Upon Tire Replacements

Washington, June 29.—The Office of Price Administration today ruled ineligible for tire replacements all holders of "A" gasoline ration cards in the Eastern shortage area and restricted replacements elsewhere to automobiles in occupational service.

Rubber Director William M. Jeffers advised the action to cope with a temporary shortage of used and recapped tires which is expected to last at least 90 days. OPA, announcing passenger car and truck tire rationing quotas for July, set the allotment of used or recapped casings at 414,931 as compared with 690,000 for June.

Sen. Harry F. Byrd, D. Va., meantime told the Senate Judiciary committee that government workers who use federally-owned automobiles on unofficial trips are violating the law and making it more difficult for the general public to accept severe driving limitations. The committee is studying his bill to curb such unofficial use.

Starting on July 1, eligibility for tires for drivers with mileage ration of 240 miles or less a month will be determined as follows:

1. In the Eastern area, where the maximum non-occupational driving for "A" card holders is 90 miles a month, drivers with no other coupons cannot get replacements. But they still may have present tires recapped if necessary without obtaining rationing certificates.

2. In the rest of the nation, where the "A" coupon is good for 240 miles a month, the applicant for tires must show he uses his car for an essential purpose. Present regulations make any driver with a mileage ration of 240 miles or less a month eligible for used or recapped tires.

The new order does not affect drivers with monthly rations in excess of 240 miles as they get new tires when they need replacements. Inner tube eligibility remains as in the past for all drivers.

If the tighter restrictions fail to bring about the desired conservation, Jeffers warned, "new and more drastic regulations" may result.

"We are scraping the bottom of the barrel for tires to keep essential cars in service," he said in a telegram to Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown. "I am confident that, in possession of the facts, the American public will cooperate to achieve our goal of keeping cars rolling."

"I hope that by some time in 1944 our supply of rubber and tires may be adequate to enable us to remove most, if not all of the existing regulations."

JOYNER-FOSTER

Invitations as follows have been mailed:

"Mr. and Mrs. Peter Foster request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mary Kathryn, to Mr. Maurice Clifton Joyner, Friday afternoon, the sixteenth of July, at five o'clock, Trinity Methodist Church, Louisville, North Carolina."

All friends and relatives of the couple are cordially invited to attend. No invitations will be issued in Louisville and Franklin County.

To Observe 4th

The FRANKLIN TIMES is requested to state that the Stores generally in Louisville will be closed on Monday, July 5th, in observance of the 4th.

Likewise the Banks in Louisville, Franklinton and Henderson will be closed on the 5th.

Those who have business with these institutions will bear this in mind.

HOSPITAL FOR LOUISBURG

Dr. H. G. Perry to Equip Residence To Take Care Of Patients

Dr. Herbert G. Perry informed the TIMES the past week that he has ordered the necessary equipment to convert his large and commodious residence on Main Street into a modern hospital. He has begun the excavation of a side entrance for the accommodation of autos and ambulances.

The hospital will be equipped with fifteen beds to begin with besides the other necessities and it is expected to be open for the public by August 1st.

This is quite an important civic move on the part of Dr. Perry, as it will give a badly needed service to the people of Franklin County. More especially since, because of the war necessities, Doctors are scarce and the present hospitals are over run. The opening of this hospital will bring within easy reach of our citizens the services and accommodations so badly needed.

4-H CLUB RALLY

Held at Louisville College This Week

Ninety-six 4-H Club boys and girls in Franklin County are assembled at Louisville College for a two-day camp program. The group assembled Thursday afternoon and will be there until Saturday afternoon.

Thursday and Friday nights the boys and girls will have Recreational programs, under the direction of Rev. F. D. Hedden. Rev. Campbell will conduct vespers at the conclusion of the Recreation program each night.

In the mornings the group will do handicraft and have some class instruction. Mrs. F. D. Hedden will have charge of handicraft, Mrs. I. D. Moon, class instruction for the girls and Mr. W. N. McClure class instruction for the boys. Some of the group leaders selected by the boys and girls before school was out are acting as counselors and helping with the program in general.

Twelve of the thirteen clubs in the county are represented at the Rally.

To Enforce Vagrancy Law

Mayor W. C. Webb and Chief of Police C. F. Cash inform the TIMES they are cooperating with Governor Broughton to put percent in his effort to hunt all loafers to work.

In the past week they have handed about twenty-five cases. Many of these agreed to get a job and go to work and satisfied the officials that they could and would secure jobs. Others were given forty-eight hours to find work. As a result about 100 of them are at work. It is understood this law and effort includes women as well as men; and all those who cannot get work in town had better find work in the country.

Mayor Webb says he thinks that while the boys are fighting on the battle fields and working in training camp it is nothing but right that those at home shall work also, therefore, as far as it is possible he is going to break up loafing in Louisville, at least until after the war.

FIRST TOBACCO CURED

Information received by the FRANKLIN TIMES yesterday morning states that Mr. Ed Place, of near Seven Paths, cured the first barn of tobacco from the 1943 crop in Franklin County this week. The barn contained 480 sticks taken from 4 acres. This indicates an early crop.

Interest to Truck Owners

A representative of the ODT State office at Raleigh, is arranging to be at Louisville on Saturday, July 17th, 1943, for the purpose of assisting in setting straight all complaints of Truck owners in regard to gasoline allotments, according to A. F. Johnson, Chairman of the Franklin County War Price and Ration Board.

This representative will be at the local Rationing Board office in Louisville, located in the store room on Court Street formerly occupied by L. J. Pennell, and all truck owners not fully satisfied with their allotment are invited to call in and see him.

OPENS OFFENSIVE ON JAPS

Land on Rendova Island in Central Solomons; Apparently Headed Toward Nearby Jap Base at Munda; Sharp Fighting in Prospect; No Details Available Yet

Washington, June 30.—American forces launching their long-expected campaign to break Japan's South Pacific defenses have landed on Rendova Island in the enemy-held Central Solomons, the Navy announced today, and violent fighting is in prospect—if it has not begun already.

The Japanese air base at Munda, New Georgia Island, only five miles from mountainous Rendova, appeared to be the immediate objective of Admiral William F. Halsey's powerful aggregation of land, sea and air fighters, but in the absence of any official comment there remained the possibility that Halsey is after some more significant prize.

A 22-word Navy communique reported the immensely-important operation, which by some standards shaped up as the first thoroughly offensive campaign of the war against Japan. The communique said:

"On June 30, during the early morning, combined United States forces landed on Rendova Island, New Georgia group. No details have been received."

The timing indicated that the action started about noon, June 29, Washington time. The Solomons are in an east longitude time zone, and run about 15 hours ahead of Eastern War time.

Scant information because of scanty official information, it was not known whether the enemy had opposed the landings or engaged American troops as they drove into the island from the back sand beaches. But authorities considered it certain that heavy fighting would develop, since the Japanese hold many strongly-garrisoned positions in that section, about 170 nautical miles northwest of Guadalcanal airfield.

The reaction of the Japanese fleet and air force also was regarded as a question of importance. The enemy used both ships and planes prodigally in futile efforts to defend Guadalcanal against American conquest. Similar costly activities on his part in the defense of the Central Solomons would further reduce sharply his sea and air striking power.

This in turn would make easier the job of pushing north and west from the Central Solomons in the direction of Bougainville Island and beyond that toward the main Japanese base at Rabaul on New Britain Island.

Rabaul Keystone
 Conquest of Rabaul would knock the keystone from the Japanese defense arch in the South Pacific and threaten both the enemy naval base at Truk and the supply lines through the China Sea between Japan and the rich, conquered territories in the Southwest Pacific.

Progress beyond the first step which now has been taken may be relatively slow and expensive, requiring months to complete. The development of future moves undoubtedly will be modified by the Japanese reaction to Rendova, since the American high command normally employs a fluid strategy.

On the point that the thrust into Rendova marks the beginning of the big offensive, there was general agreement. The strategic location of the island is cited in this connection. American bombers have rendered Munda and nearby Vila virtually useless for the enemy's sea and air forces and little need was seen here to take Rendova merely as a means of outflanking them for defensive purposes.

In American hands, the Munda area would possess considerable value for offensive actions. It is only 360 nautical miles from Rabaul and about 125 miles from the Shortland Island area, which embraces the well-defended south eastern end of Bougainville Island. American planes operating from Munda could furnish air cover for attacks anywhere in those regions.

REVIVAL

A revival meeting at Hickory Rock Baptist Church is announced to begin on next Sunday night, July 4th, at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. Clyde Chapman, of Wake Forest, pastor, will preach and services will be held each night at 8 o'clock. There will be only night services because of the shortage of gasoline. All are invited to attend.

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