

Paving Contractors Will Start Work In Early Part Of July

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ing possible the operation of eight or ten trucks. The elevating grader, after breaking down last Saturday, was to have been placed back in operation the early part of this week, but before one trouble was remedied another was found. The machine was ready for operation at 9:30 this morning, but no trucks were moving immediately to and from the grader. One report after another has declared that the contractors could really accomplish something with the approach of summer. Ideal weather conditions have prevailed during the past several weeks, and it is the same old story. There simply isn't enough dirt being moved to complete the fill by late fall, and the paving contractor can't start his work until the dirt contractors have moved out their equipment.

Ben H. Martin, Easley, (S.C.) contractor, has been awarded the contract for paving the fill. The \$36,989.50 bid is considered unusually high for paving a 22-foot road over a 2.94 mile stretch, but the contract was awarded in the hope of speeding up the work on the road. The paving contractor is to start work immediately after the dirt fill is completed. The contract calls for paving one-half the width of the road at a time with the provision that traffic will be maintained with as little inconvenience as possible.

According to the engineer, half of the road will possibly be ready for travel by the latter part of July or the first week in August.

It was learned that the paving contractors are expected to start moving their equipment to the project the latter part of next month and make ready for starting work without delay.

Marked Shortage In Irish Potato Crop Is Predicted In Section

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have themselves believed to relieve the dust menace.

Down in Georgia the drought is said to be threatening the power supply coming from hydro-electric plants. Restrictions on the use of power are being imposed, and operators of steam plants are being ordered by the government to supply surplus energy to the drought areas. The system serving this section is said to be supplying another company so that the second company may serve a third where vital defense work is in progress.

The situation is not critical in this section, but if the dry weather continues, consumers will possibly be asked to curtail the use of electrical energy and confine its use to necessities.

Million-Dollar Flying Boat for Britain



This mammoth four-engine Boeing flying boat was bought by Britain from Pan American Airways for \$1,000,000. The plane, painted battleship gray and named the *Bristol*, is shown at La Guardia Airport, New York. After the reconditioned ship is thoroughly tested, it will be used on Imperial trade routes.

Judge W.H. Coburn Calls Six Cases In The County Court

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sentenced to the roads for a term of four months, the sentence to begin at the direction of the court at any time within the next year. Brooks was placed on probation on condition that he remain of good behavior.

Poplar Point Bible School Closed Sessions On Sunday

Last Sunday afternoon at 3:30 the Poplar Point Vacation Bible School came to a close. This was by far the largest school ever held at this point. Eighty-three were enrolled in the school. The average attendance was well over 60. The perfect attendance record was high.

The chapel was taxed to its seating capacity for the exercises. Many were compelled to stand at the back in order to share in the service. The church school work of this chapel is to be improved during the summer.

Officers Capture Large Still In Williams District

Raiding in Williams Township last Wednesday, Officers J. H. Roebuck and Bill Hastip captured a 150-gallon capacity copper still and poured out 350 gallons of beer. Eight big molasses barrels and other equipment were destroyed. The still was one of the largest captured in the county in recent months.

According to reports the alcoholic tax unit of the Federal Government will open and maintain a post here beginning the early part of next month.

4-H Girl and Her Prize Steer



Anne Stackhouse, 10, of Dillon, S. C., a 4-H Club member, is shown with Bully Boy, champion beef Hereford she raised, after the steer had won the grand prize at the Orangeburg, S. C., county show. Anne then sold the 1,070-pound steer to a packing house for \$635. The steer is a prime example of the stock being raised in the Tidewater South, where the industry is developing rapidly.

J. Walton Hassell Legion Post Names Officers This Week

Barbecue Dinner Much Enjoyed by Membership in Hut Monday Night

The election of officers featured the regular meeting of the John Walton-Hassell Post of the American Legion in the Hut this week, the membership enjoying a delicious barbecue dinner and all trimmings provided by Commander Joe R. Winslow, who was re-elected to head the organization for the coming year.

The roster follows: Commander, Joe Winslow; Robersonville; Vice-Commander, Ray Goodman; Williamston; Vice-Commander, Joe Ayers; Oak City; Vice-Commander, W. C. Wallace; Jamesville; Adjutant and Finance Officer, W. E. Dunn; Williamston; Service Officer, Hugh Horton; Williamston; Guardianship Officer, H. U. Peel; Williamston; Sergeant-at-arms, Arthur Robertson; Williamston; Chaplain, W. A. Brown; Jamesville; Historian, P. M. Holliday; Jamesville; Athletic Officer, Bill Gray; Robersonville; Child Welfare Officer, Bob Taylor; Williamston; Americanism Officer, H. L. Swain; Williamston; Graves Registration, Sam Getzinger; Williamston; Employment Officer, John A. Ward; Williamston; Boys State Officer, H. L. Swain; Membership Chairman, Mack Wynn; Robersonville; Publicity Officer, Hugh Horton; Chairman Sons of Legion, Hugh Horton.

Delegates to State Convention: Joe Winslow, H. L. Swain and J. D. Biggs. Alternates: William Gray, J. D. Woolard and Hugh Horton.

Trained in the ways of war, the Legion Post membership is taking an important part in the National Defense Program now being launched on an extensive scale. The hut in Williamston is generally recognized as headquarters for advancing the defense program. The last October registration was held in the hut, and it is likely that the July 1 registration will be held there. Red Cross production unit materials for the Martin County chapter are to be stored in the building, and next Monday night the Martin County unit of the United Service Organizations will be organized under the direction of R. H. Goodman, county chairman. At the meeting last Monday night, the Legion forces pledged their support to the organization movement in behalf of those men being called into active military service.

Noted Writer Sails



John Erskine, noted American author, sails on the *Brasil* from New York for a visit in South America. He will remain there for an indefinite time.

Bear Grass Vacation Bible School Gets Underway

On Tuesday, May 20th, at 3 p. m., the Vacation Bible School at Bear Grass opened its doors to the children of the community. Around 60 children are attending the school and are being taught by the following teachers: Mrs. Pete Mendenhall, Mrs. Knezer Harrison, Mrs. Guy Leggett, Mrs. Johnny Wynne, Mrs. Russell Rogers, Miss Armanda Wynn, Miss Doris Rogers, Miss Ruth Evelyn Terry, Miss Louise Strange and Z. T. Piephoff.

Granville County's Second Milk Route Is Started

Granville County's second milk route has been started through the southwestern part of the county, says W. B. Jones, assistant farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

According to the latest U. S. Department of Agriculture poultry report, the number of young chickens on farms May 1 was 10 per cent larger than a year ago.

Cotton prices are on the march upward due to increase in the general level of commodity prices, the better demand for cotton goods, and to a possible higher loan rate for the 1941 crop.

Food for Unoccupied France



At a Staten Island, N. Y., pier, flour is loaded into the hold of the French liner *Leopold*, which will carry one of two cargoes for unoccupied France. The sending of more food may depend on how these two cargoes are distributed and utilized.

Nation Guarantees The Safe Delivery Of Aid To Britain

President Pleads for United Effort in Meeting Serious Situation

Championing the freedom of the seas and guaranteeing the safe delivery of supplies to embattled Britain, President Franklin D. Roosevelt in a 45-minute address to the world Tuesday night proclaimed an unlimited national emergency and appealed to the American people for a united support in meeting the serious situation now facing this nation and the Democracies of the world.

Explaining that the United States is already extending aid to Britain and assisting with a sea patrol, the President declared that whatever steps are necessary to insure the safe delivery of supplies to Britain they would be taken and he bluntly challenged Hitler's drive for the domination of the seas and the people of the world.

In his proclamation, the President said, "I call on all loyal citizens engaged in production for defense to give precedence to the needs of the nation to the end that a system of government that makes private enterprise possible may survive."

Then, in his proclamation, the President predicated the declaration of a state of full emergency upon statements that:

"The objectives of the Axis belligerents include overthrow throughout the world of existing democratic order, and a world-wide domination of peoples and economies through the destruction of all resistance on land, sea and in the air."

"Indifference on the part of the United States to the ever-increasing menace would be perilous; and common prudence requires that for the security of this nation and of this hemisphere, we should pass from peacetime authorizations of military strength to such a basis as will enable us to cope instantly and decisively with any attempt at hostile encirclement of this hemisphere, or the establishment of any base for aggression against it, as well as to repel the threat of predatory incursion by foreign agents into our territory and society."

Consequently, he continued, he was declaring the existence of an emergency which requires that the nation's "military, naval, air and civil defenses be put on the basis of readiness to repel any and all acts or threats of aggression directed toward any part of the Western Hemisphere."

To further the general objective, he called upon manufacturers to give precedence to the products that the nation needs and "upon all our loyal workmen as well as employers to merge their lesser differences in the larger effort to insure the survival of the only kind of government which recognized the rights of labor or of capital."

The proclaimed "unlimited national emergency" gives the President power to close or commandeer radio stations, demand preference for troops and war materials on any transportation system, take over powerhouses, dams and other units needed in the manufacture of munitions.

He is also empowered to: Forbid Federal Reserve Banks to do business except under Treasury regulations.

Investigate, regulate or prohibit transactions in foreign exchange. Place the Coast Guard under the Navy. (Mr. Roosevelt already has transferred part to the Navy.)

Refuse clearance to vessels of a belligerent country which discriminates against American vessels or citizens.

Empower the Federal Power Commission to require temporary connections or the transmission of electric energy.

Require any vessel to leave the United States waters or prohibit any vessel from entering them.

Remove duties from imported food, clothing and medical supplies needed in emergency relief work.

Waive or modify the monthly allotment of federal appropriation. Order the National Guard and the Army and Navy reserves to active duty (this already has been done.)

Suspend the law prohibiting more than eight hours' work in a day by persons engaged on government contract (this has been done in some in-

Germans Continuing Costly Campaign In Mediterranean Area

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have lost his life in Crete. Three more ships were said to have been sunk, and on the high seas the Germans claim 700,000 tons of British shipping went to the bottom so far in this month.

Japan is believed about ready to strike in the South Seas with her eyes on the Dutch East Indies.

In this country, the Congress is revealing a yellow streak a yard wide. Warm friends of Barbarian Hitler would not offer a vote of confidence in support of President Roosevelt's speech, the non-interventionists pushing politics to the front as Democracy totters throughout the world. The crowd who would withhold that vote of confidence includes many of those who tried to block the New Deal in its power expansion program and who even at this late hour don't realize the seriousness of an 800,000-kilowatt shortage in electrical energy. They are the same crowd who ran a zinc smelter out of Washington because he wanted to expand production capacity. New Dealers pleaded for the expansion, but the domineering industrialists disgustingly said that a modern smelter would place competition at a disadvantage. They are the same crowd who defeated a New Deal plan for adding 300 locomotives to the nation's rolling stock. Today a serious shortage of oil and materials is looming big because of inadequate transportation facilities.

President Roosevelt has warned the nation, and has done all in his power to have the nation prepare for what is coming. But the Lindberghs, the Wheelers and the old guard partisans are doubting their efforts to put Hitler and his damnable program on the necks of freedom-loving men, women and children.

Sees After 29 Years



Holding an armful of flowers which she can see for the first time, Miss Eliza Barnard, of Burlington, Vt., has only her dark glasses to remind her of her recent blindness. She lost her sight 29 years ago when she was three months old, and has just recovered it following a 12th cataract operation.

Foreign labor, war prisoners and civilians from occupied territories, engaged in German agriculture was recently reported by the Reich Statistical Bureau at 1,391,000.

A spineless okra more pleasant to handle and more desirable for canners has been developed by a South Carolina horticulturist while a member of the Oklahoma Experiment Station staff.

Suspend the rules covering transmission of radio and wire communications.

Close certain places to the public under the espionage laws.

Acquire land for military purposes (much of this already has been done).

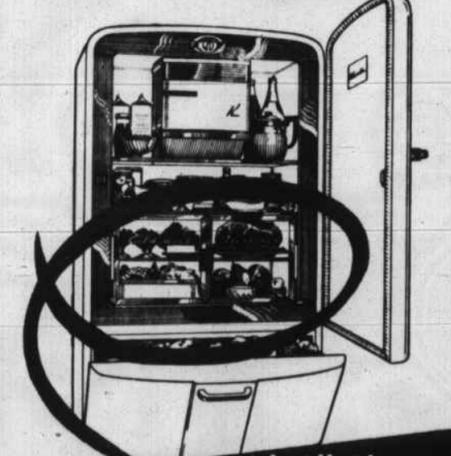
Regular Meeting Chamber Of Commerce Postponed

The regular monthly meeting of the local chamber of commerce directors, scheduled for tonight, has been postponed, Secretary R. H. Smith stating that the session would be held within the next two weeks.

Hay Should Be Cured To Preserve Leaves And Color

Hay should be cured so as to preserve the leaves and the natural green color. Likewise, damage from dew, rain and mold should be avoided. Hay should not be left long on the ground after cutting, but raked into small windows when the leaves begin to wilt. This is usually after three to four hours of bright sunshine. Windrows of heavy crops should be turned over again with the rake later in the afternoon. The side delivery rake and the hay tedder are excellent implements for stirring and hastening the curing of heavy hay crops.

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