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DEFENSE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION IS COMPLETED HERE

Complete Organization for Civil Defense is Established at Initial Meeting; Aluminum Campaign Gives Way to Other Activities

The Watauga county council for national defense, which is headed by Wade E. Brown as chairman, completed its organization at a meeting held last Thursday evening.

Mr. C. S. Prevette of Blowing Rock, was named vice chairman of the council, and Miss Elizabeth Bridge secretary, the other members of the council being as follows: W. H. Gragg, mayor of Boone; G. C. Robbins, mayor of Blowing Rock; Bernard Dougherty, W. H. Walker, S. F. Horton and W. W. Williams, representing the educational system; Grady Greer, chairman of the board of county commissioners; J. E. Jones, commander of the American Legion; Dr. Robert R. King, county health officer; Harry Hamilton, agricultural extension agent; Miss Elizabeth Bridge, home demonstration agent; H. W. Wilcox, president of the Boone Chamber of Commerce; C. S. Prevette, president of the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. F. E. Warman, representing the women's clubs; Rev. J. C. Canipe of the Ministerial Association; Dr. W. Amos Abrams, civic clubs; Miles Jones, A. J. Edmisten, law enforcement officers; and Mrs. Claire P. Simpson of the NYA organization.

With the aluminum campaign successfully terminated, other activities in connection with civil defense will be taken up as the need for action arises, says the chairman.

ORPHANS HOME CLASS TO APPEAR

Annual Concert to Be Held at Cove Creek School Friday, August 8

The singing class from Oxford Orphanage, which makes an annual tour of the state, will appear at the Cove Creek high school auditorium Friday, August 8, at 8 o'clock, under the sponsorship of Snow Lodge No. 363, A. F. & A. M.

The program, which is looked forward to by the people of this section, consists of songs, recitations, pageants and patriotic drills, by the 14 children in the group.

Local committees have been named to take charge of the sales of tickets, which started the first of the week.

The proceeds from the small admission charge of 25 cents will be used by the Oxford Orphanage in its continued efforts in behalf of the homeless children of the state. It is hoped the public will generously support the efforts of these children, and enjoy the splendid concert which they have prepared.

Claud Ingram Faces Auto Theft Charges

Claud Ingram, whose mother resides in Winston-Salem, was placed in the county jail Monday by Patrolman Jones on charges of stealing an automobile, a 1940 model Plymouth sedan, the property of Miss Isabelle Miller, college student, from the streets of Boone last Friday afternoon.

Miss Miller noted the theft of the automobile within a few minutes and reported the matter to Patrolman Jones, who immediately began work on the case. He learned at Deep Gap a man driving a car answering the description of the one wanted, had stopped and pawned his pocketbook for a small amount of gas. The pocketbook contained papers with its owner's name on them and Mr. Jones immediately had a radio broadcast made over the state patrol's short-wave system. This information resulted in the detention of Ingram, who had been arrested Saturday afternoon in Winston-Salem on a drunkenness charge.

The car was left in Galax, Va., and the circumstance that it was taken across the state line, makes it uncertain, says Patrolman Jones, whether the case will be tried in the federal or state courts.

Ingram is said to have been released only two weeks ago from prison, where he served time for the larceny of an auto, and Patrolman Jones said he has served several different prison sentences.

The United States has 1,200 cotton mills.

Detained



Pola Negri, famous star of the silent screen, is pictured as she arrived in the U. S. from Europe. She encountered difficulty in entering the country for her leave-limit had expired and was detained at Ellis Island.

NORTH STATE FUND MAKES PROGRESS

Contributions Continue to Be Made to British Ambulance Cause

The local campaign to raise \$100 as a part of the \$75,000 Old North State Fund, which will be used to purchase a modern ambulance airplane to relieve distress among the British people, continues and as interest increases, a check-up reveals that almost half of the local goal, or \$42.40, has been subscribed to date.

Rob Rivers, local chairman, along with other members of the committee, insists that contributions to the "mercy ship" fund be made as quickly as possible so that Watauga county may be one of the first counties of the state to do her part in this humanitarian effort.

Recent contributors are:	
Previously reported	\$18 25
Chapel Wilson	1.00
Jim Rivers	1.00
Bob Agle	1.00
A. L. Gross	1.00
Boone Bargain Store	1.00
K. B. Linney	.50
R. C. Eggers	.25
H. M. Moretz	.25
Boone Trail Cafe	.50
Farmers Hdwe. Co.	1.00
W. C. Greer	.25
Ralph Beshears	.25
Wade E. Brown	.50
Herman Wilcox	.50
J. C. Canipe	1.00
R. F. Greene	.50
W. M. Hodges	.15
Paul Coffey	.50
R. L. Bingham	.25
Ralph Winkler	1.00
D. P. Wyke	.50
John Fox	.15
King St. Grocery	.50
Tuesday Night Club	10.00
Total	\$42.40

Contributions may be made at The Democrat office with Rob Rivers, or left with either of the other members of the committee as follows: Dr. H. B. Perry, C. C. Rogers, Mrs. T. A. Weaver, Mrs. Fred Winkler, Dr. B. B. Dougherty or Mrs. Chas. Younce.

ELLER FAMILY REUNION

The reunion of the Eller family is to be held at the Forest Grove Baptist church Sunday, August 10, and a special program is being arranged for the event. Relatives and special friends of the Eller family are especially invited, and asked to bring baskets for the picnic dinner.

Dr. Kephart Says It Pays To Advertise

Dr. A. P. Kephart of Camp Yonahlossee, sends word to The Democrat that it really pays to advertise in the columns of the county paper. Recently Dr. Kephart inserted an ad offering for sale a small flock of sheep. The paper reached its readers in the county Thursday and that evening Ed Williams of Mabel noted the ad. He didn't reach the Kephart place until afternoon of Friday and before six o'clock had the sheep bought, paid for, and on the way to the Williams farm. At least two other buyers, says Mr. Williams, were in quest of the sheep at the same time.

Thus buyer and seller were brought together quickly and economically. Others having livestock or farm equipment for sale will find Democrat ads almost a sure-fire proposition. And usually the cost involved is no more than 25 cents.

GAS STATIONS IN THIS AREA HEED ICKES REQUEST

No Gasoline Dispensed Between the Hours of 7 p. m. and 7 a. m.; Oil Companies Aid in Effort to Avoid Shortage of Fuel

Starting last Sunday evening, all the gas stations in this city and section so far as could be learned, have closed in accordance with the ruling of Oil Co-ordinator Harold L. Ickes, who seeks to have the public aid in a nation-wide effort to prevent a serious oil shortage in the country, brought about by inadequate tanker capacity between Gulf coast ports and Atlantic coast areas. The stations close at 7 o'clock each evening and do not dispense any motor fuel until 7 o'clock a. m.

So far as has been discovered there is a minimum of complaint among local motorists in connection with the gasless evenings, and most of them are now anticipating their needs and buying full tanks of gas when they stop by the pumps, rather than the usual few gallons.

Ickes made the request of the public following a suggestion that the public cut its consumption of gasoline 3 1/2 per cent. The former suggestion was unheeded, he said.

The oil co-ordinator continued: "The closing of retail outlets serving the public generally is necessary because of the inadequacy of available tanker capacity of transportation of petroleum products from Gulf coast ports to the Atlantic coast area, causing an increasingly serious shortage of gasoline, fuel oils and other petroleum products."

"Closing public filling stations at night is the least action we can take now and be realistic about our actual situation today."

GREENE RETURNS FROM LOUISVILLE

Local Tobacco Warehouse Official Attends Burley Meeting in Kentucky

Clyde R. Greene, secretary of the Mountain Burley Warehouse, returned Sunday from Louisville, where on Friday he attended a meeting of tobacco growers and warehousemen from all the burley producing states, who gathered to hear Mr. Houston, chairman of the commodity credit corporation, explain the parity loan plan which is being placed in effect by the corporation.

Under the plan, Mr. Greene says, through the use of government funds, an effort will be made to fix the price of burley tobacco at from \$19.25 to \$20 per hundred average, government graders will be on all markets, and any farmer wishing to withdraw his tobacco from the floor because of the price offered by the private buyer, may do so, and the weed bought under the parity plan, as much as 85 per cent of the price being available at time of sale.

The loan plan will be administered actually by two associations of the burley belt. One has already been formed and the second which is to include the states of Tennessee, North Carolina and Virginia, will be formed soon. These associations are to handle the almost unlimited amount of money which is to be available for the stabilization of the burley tobacco market.

Besides Mr. Greene, others attending the meeting from the state were Flake Shaw, Greensboro; Will Rogers, Raleigh; Fred Sloan, Franklin; T. W. Cathey, Waynesville, and W. C. Radford, Marshall.

U. S. O. CONTRIBUTION

The Rich Mountain Baptist church has forwarded the sum of \$2.60 for the United Service Organization, which has been forwarded to headquarters by Chairman W. H. Gragg. The sum of \$200 had previously been reported.

Judge Hayes To Speak At Laurel Springs

Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of the middle district federal court, will deliver an address Sunday at Laurel Springs church at 2:30, eastern standard time, at which event the singing class of the Oxford Masonic Orphanage will be present. The subject of Judge Hayes' address is to be "The Orphan and Freemasonry."

The singing class will appear in concert at the Laurel Springs church on Monday, the 11th, at 8 o'clock. The general public is cordially invited to attend both of these gatherings.

SAILS EARLY TO AVOID 'FREEZING'



With her holds only partially filled with a cargo of diesel fuel oil, the Japanese tanker Nisshin Maru is pictured here making a hurried departure from Los Angeles harbor to escape being "frozen" along with other Japanese assets. Japanese-U. S. trade is now closely regulated under government supervision.

Fair Catalogues Should Be Ready By Aug. 15; Partial Premium List Given

DAYLIGHT TIME WELL RECEIVED

Little Confusion Results Locally From the Adoption of the New Time

Little confusion or misunderstanding has resulted in this community from the adoption of eastern daylight saving time, and folks are settling down to the routine of going about their affairs an hour earlier than heretofore.

Many residents have expressed a decided preference for the new way of beginning their work earlier in the morning, so that their hours of rest or recreation may start likewise earlier in the afternoon.

Mayor Gragg in suggesting that the community set up its clocks, was following a proclamation of Governor Broughton in this regard.

HORSE SHOW A HUGE SUCCESS

Many Gather to See "Ella Wee" Take Grand Championship Honors Saturday

Blowing Rock's eighteenth annual horse show, which this year drew a record number of visitors to the neighboring resort, came to a close Saturday afternoon when Ella Wee, ridden by Miles Wright and exhibited by Julius Johnson of Charlotte, won the grand championship honors of the show.

It was a repeat performance for Ella Wee, who took a similar honor in 1939 from prize horses of eight southern states. She is owned by Tom Scott of Richmond, Va.

In the hunting and jumping classes, Henkel and DeBow stables of Statesville, exhibited three horses for as many placements. Tarboj took the championship in open jumping, while Red Sails and Norwood took the reserve championship in open jumping and grand champion in hunter class, respectively.

Last Reef, exhibited by Arthur Reynolds of Tryon, took reserve honors in the hunter class. Artistic Lady, exhibited by Fowlers farms in Winston-Salem, raked off top honor in the three-gaited \$150 championship stake class, taking first prize over Dainty Damosel, exhibited by Beverly Nalle, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Sunny Chimes, shown by Sam Pickard of Flat Rock, and Count McDonald, exhibited by Mrs. John Clark of Durham, which placed in order.

In the five-gaited stake Ella Wee took first over Meadow Mystery, exhibited by Pickard, and American Moonglow, exhibited by Fowlers Grandview farm of Winston-Salem, and Pal, exhibited by Meyer stables of Bristol, Va.

State Employment Office Agent to Be In Boone Fridays

A representative from the state employment service will be at the clerk's office at the courthouse in Boone each Friday between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., eastern daylight saving time.

ALUMINUM DRIVE NETS QUANTITY VITAL MATERIAL

About Eight Hundred Pounds of Aluminum Gathered in County For Use in Constructing Machines for National Defense

Final figures on the campaign for the collection of aluminum for use in connection with the construction of implements for the national defense, indicate that something like eight hundred pounds of the indispensable metal has been gathered, principally from Boone and Blowing Rock.

The aluminum, which contains every imaginable sort of household pot and pan, is yet in storage and will be picked up within a few days, when actual weights will be ascertained. Then a comprehensive report will be given the public.

In commenting on the campaign, Herman Wilcox, chairman of the drive, says: "I wish to express my deep appreciation to Mrs. F. E. Warman, Miss Elizabeth Bridge, Mrs. Wade Klutz, Mr. Lionel Ward, Mr. Harry Hamilton, Mr. B. W. Stallings and all his Boy Scouts, as well as others who had a part in this very necessary effort. It is a real pleasure to work with such co-operative people. Everyone, including the city officials, aided us in every way possible, and the love of the people for this good America has again been demonstrated."

"We of the committee wish to extend our thanks to Mr. Trotter in particular, the manager of the Appalachian Theatre, for his splendid co-operation in providing the aluminum matinee, which resulted in the delivery of about 125 pounds of the metal."

NOTED MUSICAL GROUP APPEARS

Ruby Spencer Lyon and Continental Quartet Feature at College Last Week

One of the finest musical attractions of the season was held in the college auditorium on July 31st, when Ruby Spencer Lyon and her continental quartet presented a brilliant concert to a large and enthusiastic audience.

The program was made up of selections from the best to be found in song and operatic literature which represented the classic as well as the modern periods of music.

One of the highlights of the concert was the brilliant piano performance of Rhapsody in Blue and selections from Parzy and Bess by Mr. Ejinor Krantz, whose fine technique and interpretation delighted the audience.

Each member of the quartet was possessor of beautiful solo voice and a musicianship which ranked each as a real artist.

In the aria, Ceile Mar from "La Gioconda," and Thank God for a Garden, Mr. David Johnson displayed a beautiful tenor voice and fine musical feeling.

Miss Ruby Spencer Lyon gave expression to her fine musicianship in a beautiful rendition of the soprano aria, De Puis le Jour, from the opera Louise.

The warmth and beauty of Miss Roberta Holmer's contralto voice was brought out in a group of numbers which included the aria, Stride la Vampa from Il Trovatore.

The bass, Constantine Reusch, has a voice of exceptional beauty which he used with the utmost artistry.

The group numbers given by the quartet were equally effective and the splendidly balanced program was brought to a close with a dazzling performance of selections from "The New Moon."

LIKES THE ARMY

Clint W. Cannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cannon of Valle Crucis, who is in the U. S. Army at the air base in Orlando, Fla., writes his father that after only four months in the service he has been advanced to the grade of private first class, with special rating, and is receiving \$56 a month. Clint is highly pleased with army life and the training he is receiving.

CEMETERY FUNDS

Funds for the upkeep of the city cemetery are exhausted and Mr. R. M. Greene, who is doing such a splendid job in keeping the cemetery in condition, asks that all who have not contributed to this work to do so at once, so that it may be continued.

Forty pieces of steel are contained in a typical pair of men's shoes.

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