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RE-ELECT TOWN EMPLOYEES

NO BEER AND WINE TO BE SOLD ON SUNDAY

Appoints Cooper, Shearin And Beck to Consider Play Ground; Haul Off And Bury No More Dead Stock; Orders Light Installed on Franklin St.; To Request Highway to Repair Streets; Receive And File Reports

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular monthly session, June 11th, at 8 p. m. All members of the Board were present except Commissioner F. H. Allen.

Minutes of a previous meeting were approved by the Board.

The monthly reports of the Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Chief of Police, and Supt. of Lights & Water were approved by the Board.

A delegation from the Lion's Club appeared before the Board for the purpose of discussing a public play ground for the small children of Louisburg, and requested the Board to finance this proposed play ground. The Mayor appointed a special committee composed of Messrs. Cooper, Shearin and Beck to meet with a committee from the Lion's Club for a further discussion of this proposal.

Mr. J. F. Matthews, County Attorney, informed the Board that the County and all municipalities within Franklin County, except the Town of Louisburg, N. C., had adopted an ordinance prohibiting the sale of beer and wines on Sundays. The Board adopted a resolution barring the sale of wine and beer on Sundays.

Mr. Robert W. Alston informed the Board that the hard rain had washed his garden and ruined it. He appealed to the Board to remedy the improper drainage adjacent to his residence.

The Board issued positive orders that the Town of Louisburg employees are forbidden to remove and bury dead mules or other dead animals from the premises of the owners of same.

The Board received a written request from Mrs. Vasser Perry for the installation of a street light between the office of the Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co. and Spring Street. The Board ordered this light to be installed if it can be done in a manner agreeable to the residents in this area.

The Board examined applications for license to sell beer and wine and approved the issuance of beer and wine licenses to the following firms and individuals: K & B Wine Shop, W. T. Matthews, Proprietor; City Cafe, John Rabl, Proprietor; Cicero's Place, Perry Beasley, Proprietor; Green Inn Cafe, Mary Jane Green, Proprietor; Big Apple Cafe, Harry S. Baker, Proprietor.

The following motion was passed by the Board: "That the Town Clerk do not issue priority ratings on any orders for supplies, unless said orders are approved by the Purchasing Agent, or the Chairman of the Committee governing the department for which supplies are purchased, and that no town employee be allowed to purchase supplies without proper authority."

The Supt. of the Light & Water Departments was instructed to furnish the Board with an inventory of supplies on hand.

The Board instructed the Street Committee to confer with the proper State Highway authorities in reference to the bad condition of the State Highways traversing Louisburg, and to request the State Highway to repair our streets without further delay.

The Light & Water Committee was instructed to advertise for bids on cleaning and painting the small stand pipe at the water plant and the large storage stand pipe.

A motion was passed by the Board re-appointing all of the town employees to their present positions.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned.

LIBRARY BOARD TO MEET

The Franklin County Library Board will meet Friday evening June 18th at 8 o'clock in the Library in Louisburg, N. C. All members of the Board, and citizens of Franklin County who are interested in retaining the services of the Public Library, are urged to attend this meeting and help work out plans for the new fiscal year. This is your Library—Will you come to the meeting and help plan for a successful year?

Mrs. Hugh W. Perry, Secretary.

Scouts to Hold Court of Honor

Mills High School Band To Play

The June Court of Honor of Boy Scouts Troop No. 20 will be held Sunday, June 20th, at four o'clock at the Court House.

The feature will be the presentation of Eagle Rank to a member of our local troop. The name of the boy to receive this award is being kept a secret. Even the boy himself does not know that he is to receive his Eagle. The Eagle Badge will be presented to the boy's mother and then she will pin it on her son, according to the usual custom.

William Barrow, Jr., an Eagle Scout and a recent graduate of Annapolis will be the speaker for this occasion. Mr. Cecil Webb, Scout Executive for this district, will be on the program. It is sure these two men will give a most interesting and valuable talk as they have the qualifications to express the importance of Scouting, and what is necessary for a Scout to achieve before receiving an Eagle Badge.

The School Band will be on hand for a thirty minute entertainment.

Parents and friends of Scouts are invited to attend this special high service. It must be remembered that the Eagle Rank is the highest step in Scout Advancement. There are only 12 Louisburg boys that have received this distinct award. The names of these 12 boys will be read Sunday.

Your presence would mean a great deal to the Scouts and to the Band. Come and encourage these boys and girls along. They need and they ask for your support in this manner.

Bus Driver's School

The School Bus Drivers School for Franklin County School Bus Drivers was well attended this week by the students from various schools, according to Supt. Wiley Mitchell.

The classroom instruction was conducted by Mrs. Bill Pleasant Flythe, Field Representative of the N. C. Highway Safety Division of Raleigh. This instruction consisted of the Motor Vehicle laws, regulations concerning school bus transportation from the State School Commission along with the safety of the students and proper care of the equipment. Quite a bit of emphasis was placed on the care of the equipment due to the fact that no new equipment will be available this year due to the war.

After the classroom instruction an examination was given followed by a road test given by Mrs. Flythe, Patrolman Bynum and the Chief County Mechanic, Mr. J. E. Marshall. Those students who passed both the classroom instruction and road test were given Bus Certificates showing that they were certified drivers for the coming school term, 1943-44.

The State of North Carolina requires the training of these drivers before they are allowed to drive a school bus. All school drivers have to be at least sixteen years of age and have obtained their N. C. Operator's License before they are allowed to take the road test.

The legislature of 1943 passed a ruling whereby a boy or girl 15 years of age is eligible to apply for Driver's license provided they do not drive any vehicle which weighs over a ton and a half, therefore a school bus weighs more and a school bus driver must be at least sixteen years of age. The driver's license examiner is in Franklin County every Thursday at the Franklin County Court House to issue license. It is necessary that a parent, preferably the father accompany the applicant to the examiner in order to sign the application. If an applicant is eighteen years of age or older they do not have to have the signature of the parent.

If there are any students in Franklin County who are interested in taking the classroom instruction or the road test, or both, they will have another chance in August, provided they have their N. C. Operator's License. The date of the school will be announced later through the local paper.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Church School will begin promptly at 9:45 A. M., Sunday, and will last for one hour. Mr. Will Yarborough, Bible Class teacher.

These services will close in ample time for members to attend church services elsewhere.

GASOLINE

Cooperation To Reduce Joy-Riding Developing Strongly

If each community would organize and line up cooperatively with the Franklin County War Price and Rationing Board there would be a great deal less gasoline used than at present, stated A. F. Johnson, Chairman, this week. These communities are sore at so many joy-riding around so much and working so little at a time when labor on the farms is so badly needed and are taking the names and getting information about many such drivers that will mean a great deal less driving in the future, as many of these will find their gasoline allotment badly cut when time comes around again. The Board has received complaints about more than twenty-five this week. If other communities would do likewise Franklin County loafers would go to work or walk.

People in Franklin County are drifting back to the idea that they can come in and get tires and gasoline over the counter while they wait. The government is offering no such service. Applications for gasoline and tires should be made two to four weeks before needed to give the Board opportunity to investigate the necessity of the applicant, to pass upon their application and to mail the coupons allowed, if any. This procedure will save the users of gasoline and tires much time and trouble, coming to the Board's office and calling for the gas or tires before they can be handled in an orderly manner.

Also many reports are coming in where filling stations are not cooperating with the government, by honoring coupons that are not valid, by selling gasoline on T coupons to automobiles, and by selling gasoline without coupons. Since there are so many inspectors in the field it would be wise for those violations to stop it at once or they may be called up before Federal Court at any time.

By action of the local Board supported by a ruling from the State OPA office all persons applying for tires, whether automobiles or trucks, will have the inspector, after the entry of the usual inspection for the tires to be replaced by the tires applied for, to write in the words "This vehicle uses . . . tires, . . . of which are all right and usable." In the first blank the number of tires used by the vehicle including the spare is to be entered, whether it is four, six, eight, twelve, etc., and in the second blank write in the number that are not to be replaced by the ones applied for. This will not require a detailed inspection of the tires not being replaced and therefore no charge will be made. Those to be replaced will have to have the detailed inspection and therefore the charge for those will be proper. This is done to give the Board the necessary information so that it can keep more vehicles rolling.

Vacates Bus

Officers Thomas Denton and W. Z. Moore removed a colored woman from a southbound Carolina Trailway's bus on Sunday night about 9 p. m. at the request of Bus Driver Beddingfield, for the refusal to move back into the colored section of the bus when a number of white passengers were ready to enter. Reports indicate her stubbornness but no trouble ensued as she got off the bus after she was given the choice of moving her self or the officers would move her. She boarded the bus at Warrenton for Raleigh. She was given back her ticket and arrangements was made by Mayor Webb for her to take a taxi to Raleigh.

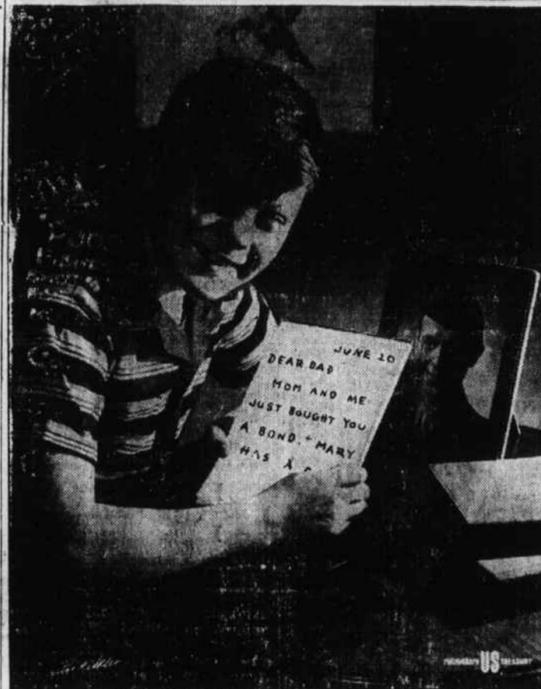
When evidence of activity presented itself no trouble developed.

RECOVERING

Supt. J. C. Harkins of the Louisburg Power and Light Department came near being electrocuted late Saturday afternoon when he attempted to cut loose a wire charged with 110 volts. This wire was on the outside and Mr. Harkins stood upon the ground which was wet and he not only got the 110 volts of electricity, but got the "surge" voltage through the ground. He was knocked out for a few minutes, but soon rallied and is improving nicely.

Wm. Davis, colored helper rendered valuable assistance by pulling Supt. Harkins shirt which assisted in breaking the connection.

A Wartime Father's Day



This youngster may be separated from his Dad by countless miles but today, especially, he is close to him in spirit when he writes: "June 10—Dear Dad: Mom and me just bought you a bond."

TOPS ARMY RECORD

Louisburg Battery 113th F. A. Bn., Lieut. Col. E. F. Griffin, Commanding, Among Those Cited

That Louisburg Military Unit, 30th Infantry has broken the firing Record of the entire U. S. Army will be most welcome news to the people of Franklin County. This information is given in a citation and commendation from Brigadier General A. M. Harper to Lieut. Col. Edward F. Griffin, Commanding Officer 113th F. A. Bn. The army firing records given along with this commendation was first test 8.40, second test 8.4.1. The record of the 30th was first test 88.85, second test 86.65.

The letter of commendation is as follows: Headquarters, 30th Infantry Division Artillery, APO No. 3C, care Postmaster, Nashville, (2) Tennessee, June 3, 1943.

- TO: Lt. Col. Edward F. Griffin, Commanding Officer, 113th F. A. Bn.,
- Lt. Col. Richard H. Mayer, Commanding Officer, 118th F. A. Bn.,
- Lt. Col. Paul H. Googe, Commanding Officer, 230th F. A. Bn.,
- Lt. Col. Patrick E. Seawright, Commanding Officer, 197th F. A. Bn.,

- The above commendation from the Commanding General, Second Army, VII Corps and 30th Infantry Division is received with a great measure of personal pride and gratification.
- As manifested in basic report, each Battalion of the 30th Division excelled all Artillery Battalions of the United States Army in the Army Ground Force Battalion Firing tests. This is indeed a professional achievement of outstanding merit.
- I wish to extend my personal congratulations to every officer and enlisted man in the 30th Division Artillery. Only by virtue of your loyalty, keenness and high standards of training was this signal superiority attained.

A. M. HARPER, Brigadier General, U. S. Army Commanding.

Recorder's Court

Franklin County's Recorder's Court held regular session on Tuesday and disposed of cases as follows: Paul L. Cannady, convicted of speeding, was discharged having paid in full. Willie J. Edwards was found guilty of operating an automobile intoxicated, prayer for judgment was continued. Joe Mitchell plead guilty to no drivers license, was discharged upon payment of costs. Richard Webb plead guilty to no drivers license and was discharged upon payment of costs. Linwood Lee Smith, judgment prayed, fined \$25 and costs.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday morning one hundred and fifty intermediates from the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church will worship at the Methodist Church. The pastor of the church will bring the message. Church School at 9:45 a. m. Vespers Service on College Campus at 7:30 p. m.

R. L. Spruill, of Columbia, has produced an exceptionally good crop of Sunrise barley. It is very early, an important consideration where legumes follow it.

—On Pay Day, Buy Bonds—

Best Job Bombing Above Sicily

Veteran Of Tokyo Raid Loud In His Praises Of Fliers

Allied Headquarters, North Africa, June 16.—The bombing of Sicily by Marauders yesterday was described by Capt. Tom C. Griffin of Chicago, Ill., as "the best job of bombing I ever saw."

And Griffin should know because he's a veteran of the Tokyo raid and other hazardous Pacific missions. During a spectacular battle on their way to Borizzo, an ME 109 was downed by Capt. Harmon E. Burns of Detroit, Mich.

Lieut. Charles W. Brown of Reno, Nev., flying a P-38 in the attack on Bocca de Falco airfield in Sicily, said the bombs dropped "in the neatest pattern I ever saw."

Fortress Pilot Capt. William C. Condy, Wilmette, Ill., completed his 50th mission in the same raid.

"I could see a large number of aircraft parked on the field," he said, "including a six-motored job. Our bombs snuggled between them as neat as a row of pins."

One B-26 flight leader, back from the action over Sicily, said "the child's play is over," referring to the Panzelleria raids. He was Major Richard B. Tolk, a West Pointer, of (2000 Convent Place) Nashville, Tenn.

One of his crew, Staff Sgt. P. J. O'Neill of Philadelphia, Pa., got his baptism of heavy flak and said "that Panzelleria business was duck soup compared to these new targets. I'm in the big league now."

Lieut. William S. Norred of Pineapple, Ala., leader of one bomber formation, relied on his intuition and took evasive action as soon as he left the target. As he turned, Co-pilot Lieut. Eugene Early, Memphis, Tenn., pointed to a line of flak bursting in their wake, and at the same altitude.

Lieut. Willis Henry Nessen of Visalia, Calif., co-pilot of the Fortress "Sierra Sue," said as he stepped from the plane at his base:

"That was by all odds the easiest raid ever made on the Palermo area. The only thing which bothered us was the sun and that was in our eyes all the way to the target." It was the 77th mission for his Fortress.

Capt. Clarence Thacker of Kissimmee, Fla., and his bombardier, Lieut. Francis Casey of Dover, N. J., completed their 50th missions in the Fortress named "Kissimmee-kowboy."

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

The morning service will be at the usual hour, 11:00 o'clock. The pastor will preach on the topic, "100% Americanism." In the evening the Union Vesper Service will be on the College Campus, with Forrest Hedden leading.

The Vacation Bible School begins Monday, June 21. The period will be from 9 to 11:30 each day for ten days. We are looking forward to a great time with the children from the Beginners to the Juniors.

9:45 a. m. Bible School.
 11:00 a. m. Morning worship.
 7:30 p. m. Vespers on College Campus.

Let us worship the Lord!

PROMOTED

Courtland, Ala., June 14.—James L. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Allen of Louisburg, Route 2, has been promoted from Sergeant to Staff Sergeant in the U. S. Army Air Corps and keeps them flying.

In The East

London, June 15.—The spotlight of the Mediterranean war shifted dramatically today from the center to the east, where the Allies were reported semi-officially from Ankara to have closed Syria's frontier with Turkey.

London sources left the report in the air without confirmation, denial, or comment, but unofficial observers said the first implication was that the British Ninth and Tenth armies and U. S. troops that have been training quietly and building up strength for months in Syria, Palestine, Iraq, and Iran might be on the move.

The Daily Herald quoted German reports that the Allies were massing an "invasion army" in Syria, and that all British garrisons had been reinforced.

(A British Broadcasting Corporation report heard by NBC said the frontier was closed "to check leakage of information from Syria and Palestine to Germany through Turkey.")

BOMBS RUHR

Steel and Coal Objectives in Oberhausen Pounded In Night Raid; Heavy Rain Of Aerial Blows Aimed At Sicily

London, June 15.—Sweeping along invasion paths by night and day, the RAF heaped fresh destruction on the bomb-smashed Ruhr Valley last night, especially the steel and communications center of Oberhausen, to keep the June air offensive tearing at Germany's war sinews.

While great bombers ground down upon steel and coal targets in Oberhausen on the Rhine-Herne Canal for the fourth consecutive night raid on Germany, lighter planes ranged far over France and the Low Countries, attacking railway targets and barges near the Rhine, Dixmude in Belgium, and Roubaix and Abbeville in France.

Almost before they were back, cannon-armed day fighters of the new tactical air force went roaring out to slam scores of targets along the western rim of Hitler's defenses.

Waves of RAF fighters and light bombers shuttled back and forth across the channel in the direction of Calais today, presumably aiming at enemy airfields, water, and rail transportation, following up the night-time sorties of Mosquitos, Whirlwinds, Bostons, Typhoons, Beaufighters, and Mustangs. They are the kinds of planes that will ride ahead and over Allied troops when they strike the Continent.

"Considerable Destruction" The Germans acknowledged "considerable destruction" in residential quarters and "losses among the civil population, especially in Oberhausen," in the night attacks, and asserted 20 of the raiders were shot down.

The British reported loss of 18 planes in the night sweeps, and said the intruder patrols downed two Nazi craft. Oberhausen is a strategic city in German communications, standing at the junction of railways to Duisburg, Dortmund, and Hamm. It lies three miles west of Essen, and has a population of 110,000.

The RAF has reported raids twice before upon the city with its iron foundries, rolling mills, chemical works, and railway shops, and the Germans said it had been hit for the third time on April 26, when the RAF blasted at Duisburg.

An Air Ministry communique tonight said fighters and fighter bombers lashed out at shipping off Cherbourg peninsula and railway targets near Dieppe. Two British planes were missing.

Spitfires making a dawn raid over France pounded upon two flights of 15 Focke-Wulfs, downing three of them. RAF Wing Commander J. E. Johnson was credited with two for a total to date of 16 enemy planes.

Nazis Hit Back The Germans jabbed back at London on Monday night, killing seven persons and wrecking a few houses. The raiders gave the capital two alerts, but few planes pierced London's anti-aircraft defenses.

In recent raids, the Germans have been using "rattle bombs," small bombs nine inches long that resemble a baby's rattle and splinter into 100 pieces on explosion, British sources reported. The Ministry of Home Security reported 584 persons were killed or missing and 733 injured severely in air raids on the United Kingdom in May, the highest number of the year.

In April the toll was 172 killed and 205 hurt, and in January, the previous high month this year, it was 328 killed and 507 injured.

Last year Ashe County growers at Chestnut Hill cooperated in filling their silos by exchanging labor and equipment. The plan worked so well that it will be followed in hay making this year.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, June 19th:

Saturday—Russell Hayden in "Saddles and Sagebrush" and John Loder in "Mysterious Doctor," also chap. No. 3 "Daredevils of the West."

Sunday—Red Skelton and Ann Rutherford in "Whistling in Dixie."

Monday—Tennessee Ramblers on stage in person. On the screen Tennessee Rambler, Lulu Belle and Scotty and Dale Evans in "Swing Your Partner."

Tuesday—Anne Shirley and Eddie Albert in "Lady Bodyguard." Also serial "Smilin' Jack."

Wednesday—Milton Berle and Joan Bennett in "Margin For Error."

Thursday-Friday—Star Spangled Rhythm with an All-Star cast.