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## A. F. Reeves Funeral Rites Are Held Today

Former Sheriff And Court Clerk Died Tuesday After Long Illness

Funeral rites were conducted this morning from Sparta Methodist church for Alex Franklin Reeves, 75, who died at his home here Tuesday after a long period of declining health.

Ministers in charge of the service were Rev. C. R. Alison, pastor, Rev. B. L. Mayberry and Rev. Ed Douglas, burial following in Shiloh cemetery, near Stratford.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Matilda Reeves, six daughters, Mrs. C. C. Castevens, Mrs. M. N. Honaker, Mrs. C. A. Dillard, Mrs. Mexa Phipps, Miss Annie Reeves, all of Sparta; Mrs. B. F. Mabe, of Elkton, Md., and two sons, Rufus Reeves, of Floyd, Va., and Preston Reeves, of Maxton, N. C.

Four sisters also survive: Mrs. George Nelson, of Monzum, Okla., Mrs. Maisie Wagoner, of Buffalo, Wyoming, Mrs. J. T. Carpenter, of Independence, Va., and Mrs. J. W. Hines, of Sparta; 13 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

A member of a prominent Alleghany county family, Mr. Reeves was long identified with the public life of the county, serving as sheriff for a number of years and as Clerk of Court until his health failed and he was forced to retire.

## Action Deferred On 9-Month Term

To Defer Decision On Adoption Of Extra Month Until July

At a meeting of the Alleghany county Board of Education on Monday, among other matters of routine business, it was decided to defer action upon the nine-months' school term to a future meeting.

Since Alleghany county is primarily a farm county, it is expected that the board will make a more thorough canvass of school patrons before determining whether or not to adopt the nine months' schedule. Much of the farm work in the county is done by boys of high school age, and it is felt by many that patrons of Alleghany schools will not endorse the extra month which was authorized by the last legislature.

The new school superintendent, Miss Clyde Fields, will take office on July first, succeeding W. C. Thompson, who has successfully filled this position for a number of years.

## Valuable Ashe Farm To Be Sold

West Jefferson—(Special)—The Dr. Gentry or Vail farm, on the Grassy Creek highway, six miles north of Jefferson, is to be sold at public auction on Wednesday, June 16.

This farm, owned by J. L. Seagraves and R. B. Jackson, contains 285 acres and is subdivided into a number of tracts. Most of it is in cultivation and the sale is expected to attract a large crowd.

## "SEASONED TIMBER", NEW SERIAL STORY

People, typical of a small town, are cleverly portrayed in the new serial story, "Seasoned Timber", opening today in this paper.

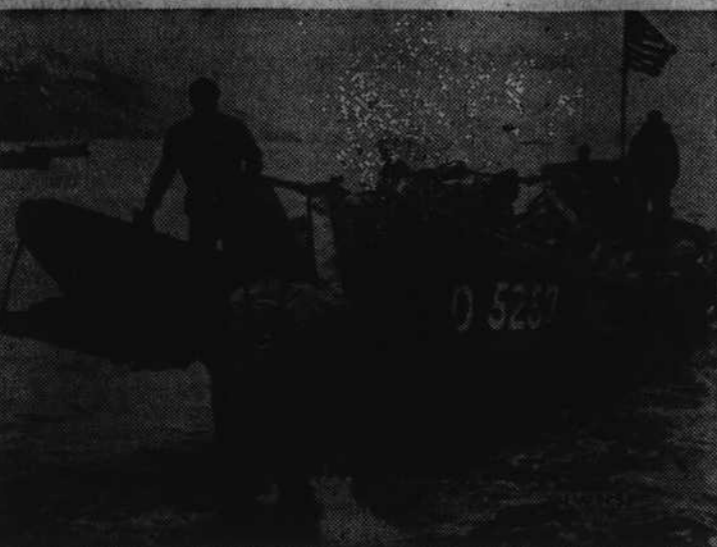
But more than that, the story is filled with human interest and a romance, which will surprise you.

In it you will find that a school principal has plenty of worries, but in "Seasoned Timber", they are overcome.

The author, Dorothy Canfield, well-known to many readers, has written this story so that it will interest everyone.

Turn to page 7 and start with the first chapter. You won't want to miss a single issue.

## Jap Flag Gone, Old Glory Up



The American flag waves from a Japanese landing boat which American forces captured while fighting on Attu. They are beaching the boat at Massacre bay.

## Invasion Of Europe Believed Near; U. S. Air Force Is Active

### Beds And Germans Swap Mighty Blows; Germany Is Warned Against Using Gas

War activities in the air continued on a big scale this week, while the world waited for the news of the invasion of Europe by allied forces.

Winston Churchill, as though raising at last the bright signal that will send the invading allied armies plunging forward, quietly told the world yesterday that amphibious attacks of "a peculiar complexity and hazard on a large scale" were very near at hand in the European theater—operations already "fitted into their proper place in relation to the general war."

Italy's anti-invasion outpost at Pantelleria, 180 miles from the Italian mainland, underwent violent air attacks again yesterday and it was disclosed that American fighter bombers have a novel technique to blast the enemy from underground hideouts in the island's volcanic mountains.

For the second time in three days, Japan's South Pacific air force suffered a severe defeat at the hands of American airmen Monday, the navy reported yesterday. In a battle giving fresh evidence of qualitative superiority of American planes and pilots, the enemy lost 19 Zero fighters out of a flight of 40 to 50 fighters and bombers apparently attempting to raid United States positions in the Russell group of the Solomon islands. In addition six (Continued on Page 4)

## Eye Clinic Has Been Postponed

The eye clinic which has been planned for June 24 by the county health and welfare departments has been postponed until July 8, it was announced here this week.

Only those persons who have appointments can be examined, it was explained, since the clinic is for one day only, and the number examined must be limited.

## Typhoid Immunization Clinics Continue; Schedule Is Given

The schedule of typhoid immunization clinics begun two weeks ago, will continue with the third and last shot in the first series to be given on Wednesday, June 16.

The new schedule of shots will begin on June 16, the second shot to be given June 23, the third on July 2.

Turkey Knob, Kennedy's Store, at 9:30 a. m.; Piney Creek Post Office, 10:15 a. m.; Roscoe Billings' home, 11 a. m.; Rocky Ridge Church, 11:30 a. m.; Scottville Post Office, 1:00 p. m.; Shepherd's Service Station, 2 p. m.; New Hope Church, 2:30 p. m.; Stratford Post Office, 3 p. m.

Other schedules to follow, on which the dates will be announced later, include Edwards' Cross

### A GENERAL EATS



Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower stops for noon meal by the roadside during an inspection tour in Tunisia. His rations are kept warm by being packed next to the manifold of his car en route.

## Poultrymen Are Urged To New Egg Goals Here

Task For Alleghany County Hens Is 14.2% Greater This Year

Alleghany county poultrymen are asked by the government to produce approximately 418,000 dozen eggs this year, 14.2 per cent more than in 1942, as their share in the Food for Victory program, the National Poultry Defense Committee estimated today.

This county goal, which is based on the percentage increase suggested for North Carolina by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, can be reached if adequate supplies of labor and feed are available, declared Committee Chairman Hobart Creighton.

"Poultry farmers are now (Continued on Page 4)

## Season For Bass Is Opened Today Streams Stocked

Many Fishing Licenses Sold In County; Good Season Is Predicted

The bass season opens today in Alleghany county, R. D. Gentry, county game warden, announces.

He also announced that Little River will open today for all kinds of fishing.

Fishing in this stream that has been closed for some time is not expected to be good for the next few days, however, on account of the fact that the D & P Pipe Works company is planning to drain the pond in order to lay pipe for power purposes, Mr. Gentry stated.

Like trout, bass fishing in the county's streams this season is expected to be good.

Most fishermen report that they have had good luck and that they are now looking forward to catching bass.

Mr. Gentry also reports that the county has enjoyed a record sale of fishing licenses this year. "I have sold completely out three different times," he declared, and explained that more county fishing licenses have been sold this season in Alleghany than have been sold in Surry, which is a much larger county.

There has been very little violation, too, he said.

## Geologists Are Here This Week

To Make Survey Of Mineral Deposits In Alleghany County

A preliminary survey of Alleghany county minerals was made here this week by Dr. Jasper L. Stucky, state geologist for the North Carolina Conservation and Development Department and head of the N. C. State College, Dr. W. A. White, assistant state geologist, and Harry T. Davis, curator of the North Carolina State Museum.

A survey is being made over this section of the state by federal geologists, and they will reach this section in the near future for an exhaustive search for vitally needed minerals.

## New Books Now In Co. Library

Fiction, Mystery And Non-Fiction Are Included In The Group

The Alleghany county library has received the following new books. There will be more soon, some already having been ordered, other orders following soon.

The list includes: The Heart Remembers, by Baldwin; And Then There Were None, Christie; Sad Cypress, Trail of Gold, Colledge; Stairs of Sand, Grey; Case of the Rolling Bones, Gardner; Matched Pearls, Lo' Cichall; The Seventh Hour, Beauty for Ashes and Spice Box, all by Hill.

As Long as I Live, Loring; Crooked Trails and Straight, Raine; Lonesome River Justice, Hankins; Ring Finger, Peattie; West End Nurse, Nurse, Hancock; The Middle Window, Goudge; Pied Piper, Shute; I've Always Loved You, Grieg; Wild Lilac, Miller; Hidden Blood, Tuttle.

Excuse Me, Mrs. Neigs, Corbett; The Human Comedy, Saroyan; Celia's House, Stevenson; For All Men Born, Mackay; The Art of Living in Wartime, Greenbie; Enjoyment of Science, Leonard; From the Ground Up, MacBain; Vitamins, Barsoak; Home Canning For Victory, Piers.

The Return to Religion, Link; The Flag of the United States, Quaise; Destroyer from America, Fernald; Two of a Kind, Bell; Seven Came Through, Rickenbacker; Salute to Valor, Wells; Familiar Quotations, Bartlett, and Tarheels, Daniels.

## NOT NECESSARY TO HAVE PERMITS TO BURN BRUSH

It is not necessary to obtain permits from the county warden to burn brush and trash around the home or farm, R. D. Gentry stated today.

The deadline for this fire prevention requirement expired June 1, he said.

## Judas Sees His Master



A photograph from a Nazi propaganda magazine shows Vidkun Quisling with Adolf Hitler at the latter's headquarters for a conference.

## Food Conservation Is Shown In Displays; Prizes Are Awarded

### COMPLETES WORK



Howard William Carpenter, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Carpenter, Rural Route No. 1, Ennice, was graduated from a 16-week course for Machinist's Mates at the Service School at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., this week.

## Good Crowd Is Expected For Big June Meet

To Be Held On Saturday And Sunday; Elders Are Announced

(Special to Alleghany News) Saturday and Sunday the annual Big June meeting will be held at the historic Senter Baptist church at Nathan's Creek, when several hundreds of people are expected to gather.

Elders Ed Davis, moderator of the Senter district will preach as will Elder D. G. Roten, Elder Webb Kilby, Welch, W. Va., and Elder J. A. Fagge, of Winston-Salem. There will possibly be other visiting elders who will take part in the service.

In spite of gas and tire rationing a good crowd is expected. (Continued On Page Four)

## Civil Gap Township Is Winner Of First Place; Glade Creek Is Second

The importance and value of food conservation was impressed upon the public here this week by the outstanding displays of various townships of the county, under the sponsorship of the Civilian defense.

"The displays should not only remind people that food conservation is a necessary part of winning the war, but that everyone who possibly can should cooperate in this phase of home work," a civilian defense official declared.

First prize was awarded Gap Civil township for their display of food conservation methods.

Second prize went to Glade Creek, third prize to Whitehead township, honorable mention to Cranberry township.

At the Food Conservation Workshop, sponsored by Civilian Defense held in March, each township of the county decided to hold a food conservation display in June. During the week of June 7 to June 12, four townships carried out their plan, with the window displays of methods of preservation; canning with pressure canners for meats and (Continued on Page 4)

## Lt. Lawhorne Was In Sparta On Sat.

Miss Margaret Lawhorne, former Alleghany county home demonstration agent, who is now Lieutenant Lawhorne, stationed at Camp Ruston, La., spent last week end here visiting friends.

Lieut. Lawhorne entered the WAAC on January 9, of this year and took basic training at Des Moines. She was transferred to the Pacific coast where she took special overseas training and has now been assigned to Camp Ruston as mess supervisor. She also received her commission a short time ago.

"I like being in service fine and have really been seeing the country, but it is nice to be back in Sparta," she told a News reporter last Saturday.

## OPA Orders Meat Prices Cut Back, Starting June 21

Washington — A reduction in meat prices, averaging three cents a pound below current retail quotations, has been ordered by the Office of Price Administration in its second step toward "rolling back" the cost of living by means of subsidies.

The meat slash will go into effect in retail stores June 21 for all cuts except cured and processed pork, OPA said. For pork products the reductions become effective July 5.

OPA's action was taken in the face of a decision by the House Banking Committee to forbid payment of subsidies by the Commodity Credit Corp., and a protest against them by the American Meat Institute. This organization of packers asked postponement of any subsidy plan until the recently-formed War Meat Board goes into action.

Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown has expressed determination to roll back the prices of butter, meat, and coffee by ten per cent each, through subsidies financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at a cost of approximately \$400,000,000 per year. The butter subsidy was placed in effect this week, but retail butter prices will not reflect the five cents per pound subsidy until Thursday.

## Sparta People Are Injured In Car Wreck, Sun.

Mr. And Mrs. S. O. Gambill And Mrs. Halsey, Painfully Injured

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Gambill and Mrs. Cora Halsey were painfully injured last Sunday afternoon in a head-on collision of the automobiles driven by Mr. Gambill and Fred J. Weaver, Jr., about two miles beyond Piney Creek school house.

Mrs. Halsey suffered cuts about the head and face, Mrs. Gambill was cut about the face and bruised about the body, while Mr. Gambill sustained a possible rib fracture, though he was able to be at his office Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Gambill and the other occupants of the car, Mrs. Halsey, Mr. R. C. Halsey and son, Sammy, Mrs. Letha Orsborne and daughter, Carol Jean, had been to the communion service of Piney Creek church and were returning home about 3:00 o'clock when the accident occurred.

No action has been undertaken in the case, it is understood, though both cars were badly damaged.

## Rates On News Raised Slightly

News Rates Are To Be Effective July 15. Production Costs Increased

Due to advance in costs in production and materials, the subscription rates of The Alleghany News are to be slightly increased beginning July 15, publisher Ed M. Anderson announced this week.

The new rates will be \$1.50 per year in Alleghany county and \$2.00 outside of the county. Announcement of this is being made in advance so that all subscribers who desire to do so may renew for as much as one year at the present rates.

"Newspaper cost, along with groceries, clothing and other items have been advancing for some time and now we find it necessary to either cut the quality of the paper or slightly increase the cost," publisher Anderson said.

"We want to keep The News 'the best small non-daily in North Carolina' and for that reason we are slightly increasing the rates", Mr. Anderson said.

## Lee Goodman, 79, Buried Tuesday

Funeral service was held Tuesday morning for Henry Lee Goodman, 79, of Nathan's Creek, who died on Monday, June 7. The service was held at the Liberty Hill Church with Rev. Worth Sweet in charge.

Mr. Goodman, who has been ill for some time, is well known all over the county. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Ann Goodman, of Nathan's Creek, and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. M. A. Deacon and Mrs. Maggie Long, of Nathan's Creek; Mrs. Jennie Bobbin, Lenoir and Mrs. Julia Walters, West Jefferson; J. R. Goodman, Oval; B. H. Goodman, West Virginia; R. B. Goodman, Idlewild, and Walter Goodman, West Jefferson.

## COUNTY EXPERIENCES SUMMER WEATHER

The mercury reached the highest peak of the season this year on Sunday here, when the thermometer soared to 87 degrees, according to official readings.

This was the warmest day of the summer, but was comparatively cool, as it was well over 100 degrees in other sections of the state and nation.

A thunderstorm followed by rain and wind on Sunday evening, cooled the temperature, which has remained pleasant this week. Frequent showers have helped to lower it.

The rain and cooling this week have done much to improve crops of this section. "It is a real growing season", one farmer remarked yesterday.