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War Bond Sales May Not Reach Quota In June

County Must Do Some Heavy Buying In Last Week To Preserve Record

Chairman Alton Thompson said here Monday that the sale of war bonds and stamps for the month of June are far below expectations, and that unless a rally in the final week of the month develops, the county will for the first time fail to reach its quota of \$5400.

Up to noon Monday, only \$2,718.75 had been reported by the bank and the post office.

Alleghany county has consistently gone over the top on each and every month's quota, last month almost doubling the quota.

Mrs. A. O. Joiner, chairman of the Alleghany county Women's Division of the War Savings Staff, has received the following wire from C. H. Robertson, state administrator:

"We urgently appeal to you to put forth every effort with all committees functioning within the next nine working days to see that North Carolina makes her June quota of five and one half million dollars in sales of E bonds plus the five and one half million dollars in extra sales of E, F and G bonds, according to our letters of June 2 and 8. You know how to do it, but if we can be of any assistance please let us hear from you. Looking forward to the extreme pleasure of saying to you on July 1, 'You did it!'"

Lagging sales in bonds and stamps up to press-time this week (Continued on Page 4)

A. L. Fletcher Is Now Lt.-Colonel

West Jefferson — (Special) — Lt.-Colonel Arthur L. Fletcher and Mrs. Fletcher, who have been spending a few days at their summer home in Jefferson, left today for Raleigh from where they will go to Washington on Saturday.

Lt.-Colonel Fletcher, was advised of the promotion to his present rank from that of Major during his visit here. He holds an important position with the Selective Service in Washington.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher have many friends and relatives in this section who will be interested in his promotion.

To Graduate At Mt. Airy August 1

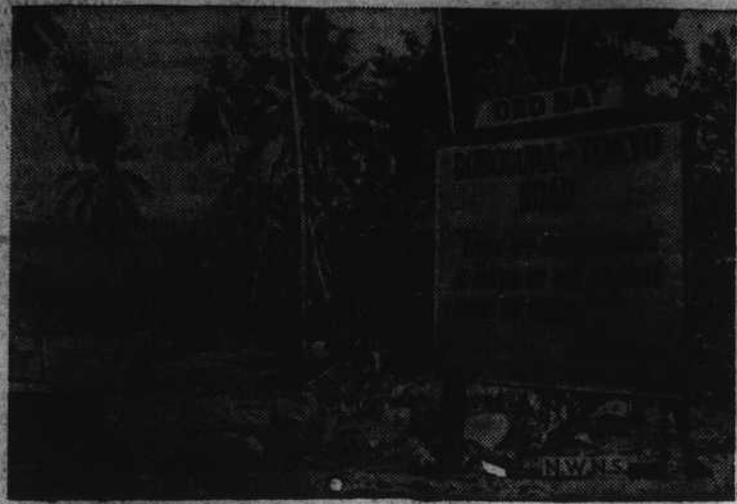
Miss Annie Mae Truitt, of Sparta, will be among the group in the twenty-third annual graduating class of the Martin Memorial Hospital school of Nursing, of Mount Airy, early in August. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Dr. C. N. Clark at the Central Methodist church on Sunday night, August 1, followed by the graduation exercises at the First Presbyterian church on Monday night, August 2.

Up Your Savings

There will be American justice for the savages of Tokyo but our trial and punishment of Tojo and his criminals will cost blood, sweat, toil and tears and money. You can supply the money by upping your war bond buying through the payroll savings plan. Figure it out yourself and see where the money is coming from. How much does it cost you and your family to live on credit? How much money is coming in from all members of your family? Put the extra money into war bonds every penny of it. Let 10 per cent be only the starting point for figuring your allotment.

U. S. Treasury Department

We Are Now On The Way



A prognostic warning is the essence of this sign in the Oro bay section of New Guinea containing a message from President Roosevelt.

Allies Rain Bombs On Axis; Large Jap Force Is Repulsed

Axis Rubber Plant Is Left In Mass Of Flames By Allied Bombers

With the plans for the invasion of Europe drawing to a head, the Allies have continued their mighty air raids both on Germany and Italy with the Russians also striking heavy blows.

Waves of American and British bombers, striking in whipsaw fashion from bases in both North Africa and the Middle East, rocked the Italian mainland yesterday with shattering assaults on the port of Naples, the toe cities of Reggio Calabria and San Giovanni and several other southern industrial towns.

American Flying Fortresses and British Wellingtons intensified the announced campaign to bomb Italian industry out of the war with day-long attacks which left the vital factory area of Naples smoking from 25 great fires, one covering an area a mile wide.

Rounding out devastating, round-the-clock blows for the first time into the German Ruhr—the heart of Nazi war production—American Flying Fortresses set a square mile of fires roaring through the German synthetic rubber town of Huls yesterday soon after the RAF had blasted the important steel town of Krefeld with perhaps 2,000 tons of bombs.

Will Observe Holiday, July 5

Alleghany county citizens and the town of Sparta will celebrate the Fourth of July on Monday, July 5th, it was announced here this week.

All business houses in town, the bank, courthouse, and the post office, will remain closed all day Monday, except for the distribution of mail at the post office at mail time. Rural carriers are expected to observe the holiday also.

No formal program of celebration has been arranged for the day in Sparta.

Coal Miners Ordered Back To Work Until October 31

Washington — John L. Lewis Tuesday night ordered his mine workers back into the pits until Oct. 31, with a broad indication that during that time they would report to the courts to obtain the portal-to-portal pay they failed to get from the War Labor Board (WLB).

The action came just a few hours after the WLB had referred the coal strike to President Roosevelt with a call for the use of "all the power of government" to force Lewis into a working contract in line with WLB directions.

Reports from the fields indicated some of the mines, closed for two days by the third work stoppage in seven weeks, will resume operations late Tuesday and virtually full production seemed as-

NOW OVERSEAS



Pfc. Fred Crouse entered the army in March, 1941, now in overseas service, last heard from in South Africa. He is a grandson of Mrs. Mary Crouse, of Sparta.

Young Adults To Attend Meeting At Lake Junaluska

Rev. A. C. Waggoner Is District Director Of The Group

The Elkin District of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church is planning to send a large group of representatives to the Young Adult Fellowship Assembly at Lake Junaluska July 12-16.

Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of the First Methodist church of North Wilkesboro, director for the Elkin district of Young Adult work, is eager to have a large number of church representatives from this district in the age group of 23 years and above to attend the meeting. Registration should be made through Mr. Waggoner. The registration fee of \$9 takes (Continued on Page 4)

Farmers Must Report Crops To AAA Office Here

Eligibility For Incentive Payments Based On These Reports

Arthur Gambill, secretary of Alleghany county AAA, said here this week that community committeemen report that only a small percentage of farmers in the county have attended the AAA meetings, and made their report of soil-building practices carried out this year, and on their average of tobacco and truck crops.

Mr. Gambill said it is absolutely necessary that all tobacco farmers measure and report their tobacco acreage before any marketing card can be issued. It is also necessary that farmers having truck crops in excess of 2.7 acres, to measure and report them in order to be eligible for the incentive truck crop payment.

Where farmers have failed to make these reports to their community committeemen, it will be necessary for them to come to the county AAA office and make the report as soon as convenient.

Baptist W. M. U. Held Meeting At Liberty Church

Mrs. Farmer, State President, Present For Associational Meeting

The Associational Woman's Missionary Union held its annual meeting last week at Liberty Baptist church, with splendid attendance.

Mrs. J. S. Farmer, of Raleigh, state president of the organization and former missionary to Japan, delivered the chief address on the theme of the program, "Christ pre-eminent in Woman's Missionary Union."

Other features of the day were reports, talks and young people's programs. Those taking leading parts on the program were Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Mrs. J. T. Fender, Mrs. Van Miller, Rev. R. L. West, Mrs. T. R. Burgess, Mrs. W. E. Shepherd, Mrs. H. Taylor, Mrs. C. A. Reeves, Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Miss Una Lee Richardson, Mrs. Hugh Choate, Mrs. Ben Reeves, Mrs. W. F. Shepherd and Mrs. Glenn Richardson.

Mrs. John M. Miles rendered a beautiful solo, "He died of a Broken Heart". The chorus by local girls, "The light of the world is Jesus" and the playlet, "How Shall we Pray", by Laurel Springs children, dressed in native costumes of various mission countries, were pleasingly presented.

An associational WMU constitution was unanimously adopted during the business session. It was also decided advisable to fill out 75 dozen cans for the Mills Home Orphanage, due to the fruit crop failure in the section.

Officers elected for the coming year were: Mrs. A. O. Joiner, re-elected as superintendent for the eighth term; Mrs. Hazel Taylor, assistant superintendent; Mrs. Sam Porter, secretary-treasurer; Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, pianist; Mrs. Van Miller, young people's leader; Mrs. R. L. West, community missions; Mrs. W. O. Hooper, mission study chairman; Mrs. W. E. Shepherd, training school; Mrs. T. S. Moxley, literature; Mrs. W. (Continued on Page 4)

A Cautious Advance On Attu



An American soldier, engaged in mopping up operations on Attu island, is on guard for a possible sniper in this Japanese shack. Most of the Jap forces on Attu were either killed in battle or committed suicide.

Wool Brings Farmers Of County \$10,635; More Sheep Available

GETS PROMOTION



Pfc. Ray Reeves, who is stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas, has recently been promoted to his present rank. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Reeves, of Sparta.

Robert Allison Is New Manager Of Belk's Store

Comes To Sparta From Boone Where He Has Been With Company Some Time

Robert L. Allison, of Boone, arrived here Monday to assume his duties as manager of Belk's Department Store, following the resignation of Mr. W. K. Sprinkle, who resigned to manage his own business interests here.

Mr. Allison has long been connected with Belk Stores, having been associated with the Statesville branch for three years, and the Boone store for seven years, where he has made an outstanding record.

Mrs. Allison, with their six-year-old daughter and his mother, will arrive shortly to make their home in Sparta. (Continued on Page 4)

Motorists Must Purchase Auto Use Stamps By July 1

The Federal Auto use tax stamps are now on sale at the post offices in Alleghany, but according to reports from postmasters, few are buying their now and it is expected that there will be a last minute rush.

The stamps are in the denomination of \$5, show payment of the tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1943 and must be purchased on or before that date if motor vehicle owners are not to be subject to penalties. Vehicles using the public highways after July 1, must display the stamp.

Each stamp is serially numbered, gummed on the face and has provision on the back for listing the make model, serial number and state license number of the vehicle.

County Agent R. E. Black, Urges That Farmers Increase Number Of Sheep

Approximately 250 sheep growers of Alleghany county have sold 19,081 pounds of wool for \$10,635.33, through the county wool pool, this season, County Agent R. E. Black, announced this week.

This wool was sold to Chatham Manufacturing Company at 56 cents per pound for the best grade of wool, with approximately 1,300 pounds bringing 51 cents because of burrs in the fleece.

A representative of Chatham Manufacturing Company, who graded the wool, praised the Alleghany farmers for the way they were taking care of their wool crop. He stated that the crop of wool was improving each year, but that farmers should "be more careful in shearing sheep to see that the wool is dry at the time it is sheared, and either take time to remove the corks-burrs from the farms, or else keep the sheep off the pastures having burrs."

Mr. Black continued: "There is no question in my mind that Alleghany county should increase the number of sheep from 50 to (Continued on Page 8)

Two Are Tried On Theft Count

At a trial held here Tuesday morning, Russell Brooks, 18, and Hugh Brooks, 16, were placed in the custody of the Clerk of Court S. O. Gambill, to await the disposition of their case by Probation Officer, P. T. McNeill.

The boys were arrested Monday afternoon on a charge of theft, having confessed to officers that they stole chickens from the poultry house of Mrs. Bryan Rector and sold them at Smithy's Store here. The store keeps a record of all poultry bought, and officers traced the boys through this sale.

Both boys are under a suspended sentence for a similar offense, having been placed on probation at their trial in Superior Court.

Graystone Inn To Open Season On Friday Night

Fully Staffed And Ready To Operate; Booked To Capacity For Week End

Tomorrow evening, June 25, Graystone Inn, celebrated hospitality of Roaring Gap, will formally open its summer season by entertaining Burlington Mills executives and industrialists from all over the South and East, at one of its famous dinners, manager Walter T. Bovard said here Wednesday.

The hotel is already booked to capacity for the first week-end, and indications point to one of the most successful seasons in its history.

The golf course is open, with E. F. Hagler, golf professional from Duke University, in charge of the course, and Mrs. W. O. Moss, with horses from her "Mileaway" Stables at Southern Pines, arrived Thursday for the season. The tennis courts are in fine condition, and as is usual, the fishing and swimming privileges in the lake are limited to guests of the hotel and summer colonists.

Summer-home owners are already arriving. Homes are now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jennings, of Miami Beach; Mrs. George Brown, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. John Hanes, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Blanche Alexander occupies Cavanaugh Cottage; Mr. and Mrs. Carter, of Martinsville, Va., in Pennell House; Mr. and Mrs. A. Sillaman, Lexington, in the Dan Chatham house for the season. (Continued on Page Four)

Brevard, Elkin Papers Winners

Ed M. Anderson Presented Award For General Excellence Of Brevard Paper

At the meeting of the National Editorial Association, held in Cincinnati during the past week end, The Transylvania Times won second place for general excellence in the contest for larger non-daily papers throughout the United States. Ed M. Anderson, editor and publisher, was presented the award.

Harvey Laffoon, publisher of the Elkin Tribune, who also attended, was awarded first place in the community service contest for his outstanding work of having the lime mine opened and tested.

The program, which was in the nature of a war conference, included several outstanding features and speakers, among whom was Gov. John M. Bricker, of Ohio, mentioned as a possible presidential candidate.

During the conference Miss Beatrice Cobb, of Morganton, secretary of the North Carolina Press association, presided at a special breakfast meeting of all women delegates to the conference. (Continued on Page Four)

Deliver us from evil

Figure It Out Yourself. How can you effectively join in saving all the little children of the world from human slavery, death and injury from the Nazis and Japanese? Put more and more of your pay into war bonds every payday. Your savings will go to war in the form of war equipment and other munitions. How much more should you put into war bonds? The only ones who can answer that are—you and your family. It's up to you to decide just how much more you'll do to win the war.

If you were fighting in the Solomon or in Africa or forcing a landing in Europe you'd like to feel that the folks at home were back of you—all the way—you'd be proud of your family and your friends if you knew they were buying war bonds not at 10 per cent or 15 per cent, but with every cent beyond that which they need for necessities.

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