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OPA Community Prices Are Set For Alleghany

Merchants Should Keep List Posted; Co-operation Of Public Is Requested

Recently the Charlotte District office of the Office of Price Administration has released flat community prices covering Alleghany and several Western North Carolina counties. Many items are covered by this order and the merchants are required to have their new flat community prices posted where the customer may see them at all times, ration board officials stated.

Among the items covered by this flat pricing method are: bananas, butter, cheese, lard, shortenings, salad oil, condensed milk, coffee, sugar, syrups, cereals, flour mixes, prunes, raisins, salmon, sardines, tuna fish, canned beans, canned corn, canned peas, canned tomatoes and tomato juices, peaches, pears and several other types of processed foods.

"If you are in doubt about the retailers price ask to see his flat community price schedule or report the case to this office. Price control is a war-time necessity in order that we may be free from inflation in post-war times. All shoppers as well as retail merchants are asked to cooperate in abiding with such price schedules and regulations. Any cases reported, and proved to the satisfaction of this office, the result will be suspending of license and other means of enforcement," an official of the rationing board, said.

Garage Is Leased For School Buses

To Be Used For Repair And Maintenance Of County Bus Fleet

Through the combined efforts of the County Board of Education, the county commissioners and superintendent of schools, in conjunction with Mr. C. C. Brown, chief of the state school bus division, and Mr. T. E. Glass, state bus inspector, a school bus garage has been secured for Alleghany county.

The rear of the Alleghany Motor Company has been leased by the county and Paul Miles has been employed by the State as chief mechanic.

Work will begin at once on the buses, and in order to rush the work, C. M. Cox has been employed to help place all buses in complete repair before the opening of school.

Miss Pearl Fields, county superintendent, said here this week that officials are much gratified at the success of their plans to get the garage. "Both state and county officials are very much pleased to get this garage, since it will mean greater efficiency in the bus set-up, and better service to the community."

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT LAUREL SPGS.

A Daily Vacation Bible School will begin at Laurel Springs Baptist church next Monday morning, to continue through the week, the pastor, Rev. R. L. West, said here Tuesday. The school was scheduled to begin last week, but was postponed in order not to conflict with the Methodist school then in progress.

Cherry Lane Man Is School Head

Richard Shaw, former resident of Alleghany county and a graduate of Glade Valley high school, has recently been elected principal of the West Marion elementary school of the Marion city schools, succeeding Mr. Fred Abernathy.

Mr. Shaw is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaw, of Cherry Lane, and after graduating from high school, attended ASTC, at Boone. He first taught at Harmon, in Wilkes county, then became principal of the school at Dyerboro, where he taught two years. From there he went to McDowell county, where he taught for four years, and was identified with many progressive moves to improve the county school system.

Chinese Boy Scouts On Parade



Chinese Boy Scouts march past the reviewing stand in the parade of 100,000 persons that marked United Nations day in Chungking. Flags of the United Nations floated at the head of the parade. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek reviewed the parade and gave a tea for Allied notables.

Manpower Survey Is Underway In County; Co-operation Is Urged

Dates And Places Of Registration For Entire County Are Published

J. Hardin Lee, of Shelby, special interviewer of the United States Employment Service and War Manpower Commission, is spending several weeks in the county, on special work being conducted in three districts of the state, to place all idle persons on vital war work.

A schedule of meeting points has been worked out for the county, and Mr. Lee stressed the fact that he was not interested in recruiting labor from farms, but rather in aiding in securing workers to assist in saving this year's crops.

In a recent meeting of the North Wilkesboro district, officials with state representatives, it was pointed out that there are not enough people working in the state to fill all jobs but that there would be a surplus if all would work. The campaign here will be based on the idea of taking a job offer to those who are idle.

Mr. Lee will visit each community of the county, conferring with community leaders and learn the names and location of persons who are in position to work, either near home or at some distant point. He will have with him a list of job openings, which will be filled first, and interviews are to be held with idle persons to ascertain if there is a willingness to work. All civic clubs and groups are being asked to support the movement and back the "work or fight" campaign.

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Feed Wheat Is Received Here

A new shipment of feed wheat has been received at the county AAA storage warehouse, Arthur Gambill, AAA secretary, said here Wednesday. The wheat will sell for \$1.25 per bushel.

Points Are Raised On Butter, Tomato Juice, Frozen Foods

Washington — Point values of butter, tomato juice, and many frozen fruits and vegetables will rise August 1.

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Frozen fruits and berries increased from six to nine points per pound (customary package is one pound).

Frozen fruit juices reduced from four to two points per pound.

Frozen green and lima beans, cut corn, peas and spinach increased from four to six points per pound (customary package is 12 ounces).

Canned tomato juice increased at the rate of one point per pound.

Fat Stock Show And Sale To Be Held In Elkin

R. E. Black, Co-Manager Of Show Scheduled For October 14-15

At the Elkin Fat Stock and Wool Show, which is to be held at Liberty Warehouse in Elkin on October 14-15, Alleghany citizens are to be given an opportunity to show the superior quality of county cattle and hogs, along with wool produced by sheep growers.

Manager of the show is W. A. Neaves, vice-president of Chatham Manufacturing Company, of Elkin, with R. E. Black, Alleghany county agent, as co-manager. Judge, Dr. J. E. Foster, Agricultural Extension Service, North Carolina State College; Auctioneer, Oscar Pitts, Superintendent of Prisons, Raleigh; Sales manager, R. A. McLaughlin, Yadkin county agent, Yadkinville; cattle supervisor, J. B. Snipes, Wilkes county agent, Wilkesboro; Swine supervisor, Neill Smith, Surry county agent, Dobson; wool supervisor, Earl M. Hodel, Chatham Manufacturing Company, Elkin.

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Alleghany Man Cited In Panama

Panama Canal, July 18 — Daniel C. Billings, of Sparta, was awarded the Army's Good Conduct Medal a few days ago by Major General E. F. Harding, for exemplary service as an enlisted man in the Mobile Artillery unit to which he is assigned.

Billings received the award during a review of his troops at which the general, a veteran of the Buna campaign in New Guinea, praised the efficiency of the artillery troops under his command.

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Total Victory Is Our Only Plan President Says

Mussolini Is To Be Punished; Italy Warned To Surrender For Peace

Washington — President Roosevelt, proclaiming that the war against Italy will be pressed until she agrees to unconditional surrender, promised last night that Benito Mussolini and his "Fascist gang" will be brought to justice and punished for their crimes against humanity — as will all other Axis war lords.

"No criminal will be allowed to escape by the expedient of 'resignation,'" he said in a nationwide radio broadcast which bristled with warnings to the Axis nations that "the massed, angered forces of humanity are on the march" and which cautioned Americans that "the length of the war will depend upon the uninterrupted continuance of all-out effort on the fighting fronts and here at home."

Nowhere in his speech was there any suggestion that Italy has yet made a bid for peace.

But he again served notice on Italy, and the rest of the Axis, that the United Nations have but one price for peace — "unconditional surrender" and said "we shall not settle for less than total victory."

As far as Italian peace efforts are concerned, he said, "we will have no truck with fascism in any way, shape or manner. We will permit no vestige of fascism to remain."

Officially proclaiming that the "first crack in the Axis has come" with the downfall of Mussolini, the President said "the criminal, corrupt Fascist regime in Italy is going to pieces."

In an all-inclusive report on the war effort — on the battlefields and at home — Mr. Roosevelt revealed that the Administration is drawing up "serious, constructive plans for certain immediate forward moves" concerning food, manpower and other domestic.

Typhoid Shots Given On Last Of The Series

Fourth Shot Of Series To Be Given On Scheduled Itinerary

The fourth and last typhoid clinic in the series sponsored by the county health and welfare departments, will begin August 4, and end August 18th.

The schedule announced by the health office follows:

Wolf Branch School, 10:00 a. m.; Pine Swamp School, 10:30 a. m.; Whitehead school, 11:00 a. m.; Citron Postoffice, 12:00 noon; Pleasant Grove church, 1:30 p. m.; Laurel Springs Postoffice, 2 p. m.; Furches Postoffice, 2:45 p. m.

Shots will be given at the health department in the community building each Tuesday and Saturday; on Tuesday from 9:00 to 5:00, and on Saturday, from 9:00 to 12:00.

Citizens are again reminded that those who received three typhoid shots last summer should take one shot this year.

Miss Ola Collins, county nurse, said here Tuesday that any community not covered by the regular schedules of immunization shots, will be visited if as many as 20 individuals desire immunization, on a new series of shots.

Bible School To Open Here Mon.

Next Monday marks the beginning of a daily vacation Bible School, sponsored by both the Sparta Presbyterian and Methodist churches, classes to begin at 9:30 for school-age children and young people.

Miss Virginia Nemer, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Rebecca Knight, of Statesville, will be instructors in the school, which is planned for all denominations. They will arrive this week end.

Rev. Sam Patterson, Martinsville, Va., will be visiting minister and will preach at the eight or ten evening services which will be held at the Presbyterian church at 8:30 each evening.

Bean Market Is Making Record



The West Jefferson Bean and Vegetable Market, where thousands of beans are being sold each evening. The market is attracting a large number of growers and buyers.

Italy May Be Holding Peace Parleys; Allies Continue To Advance

Five Are Accepted For Induction At Army Post

Reclassifications Made At July 22 Meeting Of Draft Board

Fifty who were accepted at the induction center from the last group of selectees to leave Alleghany county were Arlie Ray McMillan, Jesse Mac Combs, Donald Landreth Dancy, Morgan Ray Tompkins, Kermit R. Pruitt, Leff Vaughn Royal, who entered the army and Don Freeland Parsons chose the Navy and E. L. McMillan the Marines.

A short service is held for each group to leave the county, and each is presented a Testament, cigarettes, chewing gum and magazines. Rev. C. W. Ervin conducted the service for the group which left last week.

Classifications made at the July 22 meeting of Selective Service placed in 1-A: Edd M. Jarrell, David Easterling, Reeves Edwards, Thomas Smith, Robert R. Allen, Millard H. Richardson, Fred B. Roberts, Dewey Edwards. 2-A: Van B. Thomas Pruitt. (Continued on Page 4)

REVIVAL CLOSED AT SCOTTVILLE CHURCH

The revival which has been in progress at Scottville Baptist church closed Sunday, with nine converts being received in the church, eight by baptism. Rev. W. H. Caldwell was the minister in charge, and reports indicate the largest attendance in the history of the church. Bible school was held each day during the series of services.

Dairy Leaders Of This Section Discuss Transportation Means

Dairy leaders of Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, Grayson and other nearby counties attended a meeting at Jefferson last Thursday when transportation plans and problems of the dairy industry were discussed and plans made to carry on this vital home front industry.

G. W. Hill, Farm Vehicle Specialist, Winston-Salem, discussed the need for conserving transportation and duties of the area committee which would be to first to make a careful study of conditions and prepare recommendations for eliminating unnecessary travel between the producers and professor. Professor W. L. Clevinger, Dairy Specialist from N. C. State College, also spoke on the importance of a plan to conserve transportation. John Brown, of the Coble Dairy Products, Lin-

Yanks Beat Japs Back; Russians Storm Heaviest Nazi Fortifications

The biggest war news of the week was not on any battlefield, but in Italy where Mussolini resigned, fascism died, and rumors of Italy dropping out of the war continue to spread and peace conferences are being reported. Fighting continued with the Allies making more gains in Sicily, where they have met strong German forces.

Radio of Rome, in repeated broadcasts, proclaimed death of fascism and reports from the Continent said that Marshal Pietro Badoglio had dissolved the Fascist party.

Reports flooded continental capitals that anti-Fascist riots had resumed in Northern Italy, that war-weary Italian troops were mutinying in Yugoslavia and that German Gestapo agents had started to leave Italy.

The clandestine radio station "Italia Avanti" broadcast a report that violent clashes had occurred between German and Italian troops in Albania when the Germans were ordered to occupy the seaport of Durazzo and Valona to prevent the Italians from evacuating. (Continued on Page 4)

Jars Available For Orphanage

Fruit jars for filling on the quota of 75 dozen for Thomasville Orphanage by ladies of the Baptist churches in the county are now obtainable at Smithey's Store, Van F. Miller, Association secretary, said here this week.

The number of jars to be filled this year is considerably lower than last year, due to the shortage of fruit in the section.

FDR Announces Coffee Taken Off Rationing Today

Due To Increased Shipping Facilities And Greater Success In War

Washington — President Roosevelt announced last night the end of coffee rationing for civilians and a probable increase in sugar allotments. He attributed the moves to a vast increase in available shipping space and greater success in the war against U-boats.

"One tangible result of our great increase in merchant shipping — which will be good news to civilians at home is that to night we are able to terminate the rationing of coffee," he said in his broadcast report to the nation. "We also expect that within a short time we shall get greatly increased allowances of sugar."

He warned that while we have been losing fewer ships and destroying more U-boats for several months "we must not lower our guard for one single instant."

The suspension of coffee rationing will take effect today. It was announced later by the War Food Administration (WFA) and the Office of Price Administration (OPA.) In a joint statement they declared "the nation's stocks of green coffee are at a satisfactory level."

The two agencies declared that the action marked "the first time that a major food commodity could be released from rationing," and said that it "illustrates the policy of adjusting the rationing program whenever circumstances permit."

Purchases and sale of coffee, the two agencies said, may be made at all trade and consumer levels without the surrender or collection of coffee ration stamp or other ration currency, and banks will no longer accept coffee ration currency.

Alumni Dinner Held In Elkin

State Alumni Association Entertains Bankers Association Monday

R. E. Black, State College Alumni and Alton Thompson, cashier of Northwestern Bank, attended a dinner for the Northwest State College Club Monday night at Elkin.

E. A. Wayne, for the past three years executive secretary of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, was the principal speaker. President C. B. Eller, Wilkes county superintendent of schools, presided.

A brief speech by LeRoy Lewis, professor of speech at Duke University, followed. Mr. Lewis succeeds Mr. Wayne as executive secretary of the Bankers' Association, upon Mr. Wayne's acceptance of a position as vice-president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, taking up his duties there, August first.

Garland Johnson, Elkin banker, told about the Elkin Fat Stock and Wool show and sale in Elkin on October 14-15, and H. W. "Pop" Taylor, State College Alumni secretary, briefly outlined the military program now in effect at State.

The bankers from the counties of Alleghany, Ashe, Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes were guests of the club.

REA Case To Be Tried Here Friday

At a trial to be heard in Sparta Friday afternoon, the case between Mrs. Annice Shepherd and REA will be heard, litigation growing out of the sale of alleged inferior electrical equipment to the company to Mrs. Shepherd.

The case against Mrs. Shepherd had been dismissed in magistrate's court, it is understood, but the company had cut off the lights leading to her home before the suit was settled, according to reported evidence in the case, the present case growing out of this complaint.

R. F. Crouse, of Sparta, represents Mrs. Shepherd, and Max Wilson, of Sparta, is attorney for the REA. (Continued on Page 4)