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Polio Epidemic Is Still Showing A Decline Here

Ban On Children Fifteen And Under Extended Through September 3

With no new cases of infantile paralysis reported in Alleghany county for the past 14 days, the epidemic is thought to be declining rapidly, officials reported this week.

However, at a special meeting last Friday, the county board of health extended the previous ordinance banning children from public gatherings through September 3.

The ordinance, "making it unlawful for children under fifteen years of age to attend public gatherings or appear on the streets or other public places in Alleghany county during the quarantine without permission of a physician," was passed when the epidemic began in the county.

Mayor R. F. Crouse, a member of the board of health, announced yesterday that copies of the ordinance had been sent to all officers of the law in the county, with orders to enforce them in every respect.

The opening date of schools in the county has been postponed until September 4, it was also pointed out.

There are now five patients from Alleghany in the emergency hospital in Hickory, all of whom are reported to have satisfactory conditions.

W. L. Irwin, 65, Buried Tuesday

Well Known Stratford Man Died Sunday In Baptist Hospital

William L. "Bill" Irwin, 65, well known farmer of the Stratford community died Sunday at the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem, following an operation.

Funeral service was held at Antioch Primitive Baptist church, Tuesday at two o'clock, with Elders S. G. Caudill, Ed Douglas and Johnnie Williams and Rev. Ray Billings officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Myra Watson, of the Stratford community; one brother, Abe Irwin and one sister, Mrs. Press Irwin, of Stratford. His wife preceded him in death many years ago.

Pallbearers were R. G. Warden, Eugene Mitchell, Frank Atwood, Bert Williams, Will Atwood and Charlie Edwards.

Flower girls were Mrs. Lola Mae Williams, Mrs. Eugene Mitchell, Mrs. Charlie Edwards, Mrs. Laura Warden, Mrs. Thelma Mabe, Miss Beatrice Absher, Misses Jennie, Ruth and Fannie Atwood, Mrs. Myrtie Reeves, Mrs. Anice Shepherd, Mrs. Lula Landreth and Mrs. Ed Taylor.

Miss Addie Reeves, of West Grove, Pa., is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Osborne Has 4 Sons In Service

With four sons in the armed forces, two of them serving overseas, Mrs. James M. Osborne, of Sparta, is kept busy with extra farm duties and a heavy correspondence these days.

S.-Sgt. Clement G. Osborne, the first to enter the service, enlisted in June, 1942 and received his training at Ft. Dix, N. J. and Ft. Bragg. In May, 1943, he was transferred overseas and after spending sometime in North Africa and Sicily, was moved to Italy where he is now stationed.

Cpl. Jack P. Osborne entered the service in July, 1942, and was trained at Camp Forrest, Tenn., and Camp Phillips, Kansas. He recently notified his mother that he had arrived safely somewhere in England.

Cpl. Woodrow Osborne, who was recently promoted to his present rank, is with the infantry replacement training center at Camp Hood, Texas. He entered the Army in December, 1943, and received his training at Camp Walters, Texas. His wife and two children reside at Volney, Virginia.

A-S James Leff Osborne, the last to enter the service, chose the Navy and is now stationed at Camp Peary, Va.

General Clark Meets King George

King George VI of England is shown here accompanied by Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark as he inspected American fighting men at a base in Italy. During his tour of the Italian front, the king reviewed 10,000 veteran American infantrymen and tank men as well as nurses and WACs.

Allies Now Moving Toward Paris; Reds Planning New Drive

Allied Troops In Italy Make Progress Against Germans On Arno

The Canadians in their first great offensive in France smashed five miles yesterday into some of the strongest enemy lines before Paris, whose defenses 110 miles to the southwest were imperiled by onrushing Americans pounding at the gateway of Le Mans.

More than 1,000 U. S. heavy bombers—defying flak as intense as any met over Europe—shattered bristling strong points below Caen on the shortest route to Paris. Canadian tanks and infantry poured through the breaches and fought down the road to about 110 miles from the capital.

The Germans are launching desperate counter-attacks along virtually all of the 1,000-mile eastern front but are being "bled white", Moscow reported as it appeared that the Nazis had managed to stem the Red army advances by drawing heavily on their dwindl-

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Urge Farmers To Make Plans Now For Winter Crops

Special AAA Payments May Be Earned; Plans Explained By C. G. Collins

Farmers of Alleghany may earn a practice payment of $1.50 per acre under the 1945 AAA farm program for establishing winter cover from seedings this fall of wheat, oats, barley, rye, or mixtures of these grains, it was announced today by C. G. Collins, chairman of the county AAA committee.

To qualify for this payment, Mr. Collins said, a protective white cover must be provided and the crop must not be harvested for grain. However, it may be pastured, cut for hay, turned under as a green manure crop, or left on the land as a 'go down" crop next spring. The seed bed should be well prepared and the

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Are To Assist In Drive For Nurses

Dr. T. R. Burgiss, prominent Sparta pharmacist, has been appointed chairman for Alleghany county in the state drive to recruit 1500 young women in the United States Cadet Nurse Corps.

The campaign is sponsored by the North Carolina Nursing Council for War Service in co-operation with the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association. Appointments were made by Hazel C. Williams, state student recruitment officer, and Mr. Beamer, of Durham, state chairman of the pharmacy committee.

C. C. Postpones August Meeting

The August meeting of the Sparta Chamber of Commerce, scheduled to meet on Friday, has been postponed due to the epidemic of infantile paralysis in the county, R. F. Crouse, president, announced this week.

A special program is being planned for the September meeting, Mr. Crouse explained. This meeting will be held on Friday, September 8, and all members are expected to be present. The program will be announced at a later date.

County To Have Service Of Nurse For Three Weeks

Visits To Be Made To Homes Of Victims Of Infantile Paralysis

Miss Idell Buchan, public health nurse, will be in the county Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, visiting the homes of victims of infantile paralysis, it was announced.

Miss Buchan, who is working with the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis, will do a type of research for the foundation and also will give instruction to the parents in the care of patients with the disease.

Miss Pearl Weaver, public health nurse, who formerly was in Ashe county, will be in Alleghany for a period of three weeks beginning today. Miss Weaver will visit families and give instruction in the care of patients with infantile paralysis.

Repair Projects Begin In Schools

Board Of Education Approves Projects At Piney Creek And Sparta

Various repair projects for the schools of Alleghany county were approved by the county Board of Education, when they met in regular session on Monday, and work has already begun in some of the schools, it was announced this week.

Work has been started on the installation of indoor toilets at Piney Creek high school, since the toilet condition there had been condemned by the State Health Department and the State Department of Education. A levy for this project was approved by the county commissioners and G. T. Perry has been approved as contractor.

It was also announced that repairs were being made on the plumbing system in the elementary building at Sparta school and that work was in progress on the Rich Hill school, which has been alloted an extra teacher this year.

Work on various projects in other schools in the county is expected to be completed before school begins.

Stores To Close Wed. P. M. In Sept.

The business houses in Sparta will continue to remain closed on Wednesday afternoons through the month of September, merchants unanimously agreed, when a vote was taken yesterday afternoon.

This move was taken, it was explained, in order that merchants and their employees would have time for work at their homes on one afternoon each week.

The policy has been practiced in Sparta for the past three months and has proved valuable to both employer and employee.

The drug store and bus station, however, will remain open as usual, it was pointed out.

Latest On The Argentine Full House

The Diligenti quintuplets of Argentine sit for their nursery portrait like the little ladies and gentlemen which they are. Left to right, they are: Maria Cristina, Carlos Alberto, Franquito (on the hobby horse), Maria Fernada and Maria Ester, smiling happily at the camera.

Alleghany Far Over Quota In War Bonds, Final Reports Show

Total Of $132,957.00 Is Sold; Quota For Fifth War Loan Set At $90,000.00

Final reports from the Treasury department reveal that Alleghany county sold $132,957.00 in the Fifth War Loan Drive when the quota was set at $90,000.00.

The "E" bond quota was set at $57,000.00 and this was surpassed by $22,425.00, the report showed. A total of $79,425.00 worth of "E" bonds were sold during the drive.

The final totals include bonds bought by men in service, corporations which alloted their sales to the county, as well as those bought in the county.

S. R. Nichols, chairman of the drive, received letters of congratulation from both C. T. Leinbach, chairman of the North Carolina War Finance Committee, and W. H. Neal, area chairman. Alleghany was one of the 12 counties in the state to exceed their "E" bond quota by July 15.

Mr. Nichols stated that he again wished to thank everyone for the splendid co-operation in making it possible for Alleghany county to attain such remarkable

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Farm Group Will Meet Next Week At Turkey Knob

Special Program Has Been Planned By Southern States Cooperative

Members and friends of Southern States Cooperative of this section will meet in Carl M. Kennedy's store at Turkey Knob next Wednesday evening, August 16, at 8 o'clock when J. B. Cox, of Mouth of Wilson, will preside.

Mr. Campbell will give the annual report of Southern States and Carl M. Kennedy, of Mouth of Wilson, will report on local cooperative activities.

The group will select from the following nominees, together with any named at the meeting, successors to the two members who are retiring from the Advisory board: Delton Deboard, Fred Osborne, Stratford, Everett Wyatt, Carl Halsey, Piney Creek.

The farm group also will vote on the matters of policy which have been mentioned as coming up for consideration at the Galax meeting.

An open forum and a social program, including contests, the awarding of prizes, and refreshments, will be included. Carl M. Kennedy and Southern States Cooperative will be hosts at this meeting.

Approximately 350 member-

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AAA ANNOUNCES NEW SHIPMENT OF FEED WHEAT

C. G. Collins, chairman of the AAA in Alleghany county, announced this week that a new shipment of feed wheat had arrived and was now ready for sale. The wheat will be weighed out only on Saturdays, Mr. Collins again reminded farmers.

County Schools Will Open Sept. 4 In Alleghany

All Bus Drivers And Teachers To Be Announced At Board Meeting, August 29

Due to the polio epidemic and due to the advise of local, as well as state health authorities, the opening date for schools in Alleghany county has been set for September 4, Supt. Clyde Fields announced yesterday.

The opening date is subject to change, she pointed out, depending entirely on health conditions in the county. Schools were originally scheduled to open on August 21.

"The board of education wishes to work hand in hand with the board of health, and we want to do everything possible to curb this epidemic," Miss Fields stated.

She also announced that the board of education would hold a meeting on August 29, at which time all bus drivers and all teachers for the county will be approved.

Miss Fields also pointed out that due to the fact that the majority of the patrons of the Vox community wished to send their children to the Sparta school and since a school bus passed directly by the Vox school, the board of education had decided to consolidate that school. The act has been approved by the State Transportation Department and by the State Department of Education, she explained.

Hear Merchants In Price Cases

Price Panel Announces Temporary Freeze Of Brooms In County

At a meeting of the durable goods division of the Alleghany price panel board, Tuesday night, cases of eleven merchants in the county, who were charged with selling goods above the ceiling price, were heard.

The cases were reported by price panel assistants in the county, who conducted a survey of durable goods the latter part of July. Stores included: Allen and Templeton, Scottville; Roy Bryan, Roaring Gap; A. N. Evans, Barrett; Carl M. Kennedy, Stratford; Roaring Gap Store, G. W. Todd, Ennice; Cash and Carry, Jay Hardin, Farmer's Hardware and Western Auto Associate store, all in Sparta, ration board officials announced.

Of the eleven stores in the county, found to be in violation of OPA prices, ten were said to be overcharging for brooms and two were violating ceiling prices on hammers.

Merchants, found in violation, stated that suppliers' prices had increased and that it was impossible to conduct profitable sales on the two articles and comply with the ceiling. Mrs. Robert Fleetwood, ration clerk, announced that an investigation would be made of suppliers and reasons for the increase in price, in order to clear the merchants' stand.

In the meantime, it was announced by the price panel, no brooms would be sold in the county until advised by the Charlotte district office.

Mrs. J. M. Cheek returned home Sunday, from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. George McKinley, of Waynesville.

Parole Official Visits Alleghany

James Anderson, parole supervisor for the State Board of Paroles, visited the county last Saturday, at which time he conferred with the department of public welfare.

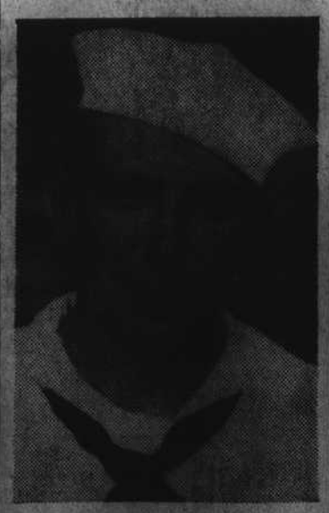
Mr. Anderson has supervision and auhority over paroled prisoners, assists them and those who are to be paroled in finding and retaining self-supporting employment, and promotes rehabilitation work with paroled prisoners, to the end that they may become law abiding citizens. He contacts the parolees at least quarterly, and more often if necessary. At present, there are three parolees in this county.

The local welfare department cooperates with the parole supervisor in having oversight of the parolees, who make monthly reports to the department.

Alleghany County Men Now Fighting For Our Liberty And Democracy

Pvt. James E. Carpenter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Carpenter, of Twin Oaks, is now serving in France. He entered the army in March, 1942, and has been overseas since May, 1943, having served in the Sicilian campaign.

Pvt. Grant M. Harless, Jr., who is recuperating in a hospital in Italy from wounds received in action on June 9, has been awarded the Purple Heart for military merit. Pvt. Harless is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Harless, of Whitehead.



Olin C. Reeves, Seaman 2-C, son of Mrs. S. G. Caudill, of Sparta, entered the Navy in March, 1944, and is now serving in the Hawaiian Islands. His wife, the former Miss Edna Black and son, Richard, reside at Piney Creek.

Pvt. Dan Davis, son of Mrs. Carrie S. Davis, of Piney Creek, is now serving on the Italian front and writes his mother that he is getting along fine. He received his training at Camp Grant, Va., and left the states in September, 1943.

Sgt. William H. Busic, of Sparta, has recently been promoted to his present rating. Sgt. Busic, who is a turret specialist, is stationed at an Army Air Force Service Station somewhere in England. His wife resides in Sparta.