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Final Shipment Of Lambs To Be Made On Sept. 1

R. E. Black, County Agent, Announces Schedule For Grading And Weighing

The final shipment of lambs to be sold in cooperative pool will be held in Alleghany on Friday, September 1, when two groups of graders will be in the county, R. E. Black, county agent, announced yesterday.

Following is the schedule for the places where the lambs will be graded and weighed:

First Group: 8 a. m., E. W. Shepherd; 9 a. m., M. E. Reeves; 9:45 a. m., W. F. Doughton; 10:45, W. W. Warden (Mt.); 1 p. m., John M. Cheek; 2 p. m., Eddie Hoppers; 2:45 p. m., Whitehead; 3:30 p. m., Bob Thompson; 4:30 p. m., Kell Edwards; 5:30 p. m., T. L. Crouse; 6:00 p. m., R. E. Black.

Second Group: 8 a. m., R. E. Richardson; 8:30 a. m., S. C. Richardson; 9:15 a. m., Prathers Creek; 9:45 a. m., Bruce Finney; 10:30 a. m., D. J. Jones; 11:15 a. m., H. G. Black; 1:00 p. m., Etta Moxley; 2:00 p. m., F. S. Delp; 2:45 p. m., L. K. Halsey; 3:15 p. m., S. C. Halsey; 4:15 p. m., John C. Halsey; 5:15 p. m., Lee Hampton; 6:00 p. m., Ruby Woodruff; 6:30 p. m., R. L. Crouse; 7:00 p. m., J. C. Gambill.

Anyone having lambs which are not convenient to one of the above scales, should notify the county agent, R. E. Black, prior to shipment.

Marines Rescue Wounded Comrade

Pfc. Walter Frank Osborne, Jr., Of Sparta, Aids Three Others In Rescue

Saipan, Marianas Islands—(Delayed)—Though one man already had been killed, four Marine artillery men volunteered to rescue a wounded comrade whom Japanese were using as "bait".

One of the four volunteers was Marine Private First Class Walter F. Osborne, Jr., of Sparta.

The wounded man was hit by a group of Japanese snipers. He fell into a shallow depression out of their line of fire. Anyone approaching was exposed to the fire, however.

While other Marines poured in a strong covering fire, the four volunteers rushed in, picked up their man, and departed. The Japanese fired but were so harried by Marine fire that they couldn't take careful aim and none of the rescuers was hit.

D. & P. Employees Entertained Sat.

The D. and P. Pipe Works entertained the employees with a fish fry Saturday evening at the picnic grounds at New River.

David P. Lavietes, owner of the factory and Sam Porter, general manager, were in charge of arrangements. About fifty employees and guests from the Boone and Sparta factories were present. Among guests from Sparta was Mayor R. F. Crouse.

Rationing Guide

MEATS, FATS

Book four red stamps A3 through Z3 and A5 through D5 valid indefinitely and are worth 10 points each. Thirty meat and fat stamps are available to each consumer every four weeks. Red tokens are good for change indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS

Book four blue stamps A3 through Z3 and A5 through F5 valid indefinitely. All blue tokens may be used for making change indefinitely.

SUGAR

Book four stamps 30, 31 and 32 valid indefinitely for five pounds each; stamp 40 good for five pounds for home canning through Feb. 28, 1945.

SHOES

Airplane stamps 1 and 2 in Book Three valid indefinitely. Good for one pair each.

GASOLINE

11-A coupons valid for three gallons through Nov. 8. B-3, B-4, C-3 and C-4 coupons are valid for five gallons indefinitely.

U. S. Forces On Road To Germany; Paris Has Been Liberated

PRESS SPEAKER



Col. A. L. Fletcher, who will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Midwestern Press Association meeting on Saturday evening at Shatley Springs.

Midwestern Press Meets At Shatley Springs, Saturday

Interesting Program Planned; Several From Sparta To Attend

West Jefferson—(Special)—Around 60 members of the Midwestern Press Association and guests are expected to attend the meeting at Shatley Springs on Saturday night when Lt. Colonel A. L. Fletcher will be the guest speaker.

Colonel Fletcher, who has recently returned to North Carolina to resume his position as director of the Unemployment Compensation Commission, after serving for more than two years on the Presidential Board of Appeals, of National Selective Service, will discuss the G. I. Bill of Rights and the Kilgore Bill. He will be presented by Ed M. Anderson.

Included in the entertainment features of the program will be string music by Clifton Evans and his band, from Sparta; a reading by Miss Nena Bell Barr and vocal selections by Miss Rachel Rader.

L. P. Colvard, mayor of Jefferson, will extend an official welcome to which Miss Beatrice Cobb, secretary of the North Carolina Press Association, will respond.

In addition to Miss Cobb, several officers of the State association are expected to attend. A number plan to spend the week end at Shatley Springs.

Mrs. Ed M. Anderson, president (Continued on Page Four)

SOYBEAN MEAL IS NOW AVAILABLE FROM AAA

C. G. Collins, chairman of the AAA, announced this week that a shipment of soybean meal is now available for farmers. Any farmer wishing to secure the meal should call at the AAA office here, he explained.

Gift Problems For Women, Men In Service Answered

Local people, as well as those throughout the nation, have really started doing their Christmas shopping early and are on the hunt for gifts for men in service overseas. But it isn't so early after all; for these gifts must be mailed between September 15 and October 15.

The question of what to give comes up; but the office of War Information has made a survey and has the answer to that question.

Soldiers in all theatres would like wallets, pipes and tobacco, razor blades and small shaving kits, pocket-sized books and photographs in waterproof folders, cigarettes and cigars, automatic pencils, stationery, games, cards, puzzles, hard candy, soap, dried fruit vacuum-packed nuts and wrist watches, the Office of War

New Invasion Is Reported In Bordeaux Sector; Many Germans Killed

French Patriots have liberated Paris, it was announced yesterday while Allied Armies tightened a great noose around 93,000 survivors of the beaten German Seventh Army and American flying columns lashed out far beyond the capital to within 160 miles or less of the German border.

An American armored column has driven more than half way across France on the road to Germany, plunging past the ancient town of Sens, 58 miles southeast of Paris in a 65-mile smash against only meager opposition, a dramatic front dispatch disclosed yesterday.

Sens is a full 180 airline miles from the original Normandy invasion beachhead—much farther over the road of battle—and only 165 miles from the German border to the northeast near the Saar town of Neunkirchen. Germany also lies due east, 200 miles away at the Rhine.

French military authorities said a third allied landing in France started Tuesday night in the area of Bordeaux, which was reported under a co-ordinated attack by American and French columns.

(There was no immediate confirmation in other allied or axis quarters of a Bordeaux landing. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's supreme headquarters has been silent upon the progress of a spearhead from the U. S. third army since it broke 10 miles south of (Continued on Page Four)

Annual Banquet Of Northwestern Bank Held Fri.

Gov. R. A. Doughton, President, Speaks To Group; Good Attendance

Gov. R. A. Doughton lauded employees and officials of the Northwestern Bank for the splendid success of the banks during the past year, at the annual banquet held at Boone, last Saturday night.

W. D. Farthing, cashier of the Boone bank, acted as toastmaster at the dinner which was held in the cafeteria of ASTC.

In addition to Gov. Doughton, president of the bank association, Vernon Deal, secretary and treasurer, of North Wilkesboro; W. B. Austin, a member of the Asheville county board of directors, and Edwin Duncan, executive vice-president, spoke briefly to the group.

Guests were then invited to Mayview Manor at Blowing Rock, where they enjoyed a dance in the ballroom of the hotel. About 150 guests attended. Light refreshments were later served in the Hunt Room.

Those attending from Sparta included Gov. R. A. Doughton, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Duncan, Mrs. Robert Fleetwood, a former employee of the Sparta bank, and Miss Doris Richardson.

Business Bldg. Is Bought By Choate

Sally's Beauty Shoppe building, next door to Smithy's on Main street and the house belonging to Miss Sally Bledsoe on the Whitehead road, was purchased this week by Dr. P. L. Choate.

Miss Bledsoe announced that the beauty shop would be open for at least two weeks, at the end of which time, she and her mother, Mrs. Dema Bledsoe, would move to Edgewood, Maryland. The shop equipment will be stored, she pointed out. A sale of her kitchen and household furniture will be held, Saturday, September 2.

Miss Bledsoe has operated a beauty shoppe in Sparta for the past twelve years. Dr. Choate has made no announcement of his plans for the use of the building. (Continued on Page Four)

U. S. Veterans Can Still Smile Even Though Wounded



These are wounded American veterans of the Southwest Pacific area, being treated in a station hospital. Note the happy smiles on these men. One of them is reading a letter from home. (Army Signal Corps Photo)

Many County Men In Armed Forces Request Ballots

More Than 60 Applications Received; Others Coming In Rapidly

Applications for absentee ballots for use in the November 7 general election by members of the armed forces are coming in rapidly, G. Glenn Nichols, chairman of the Alleghany county board of elections, announced yesterday.

He has received and mailed out 60 applications to date, Mr. Nichols announced, and seven marked ballots have been received. He stated that it is hoped that at least 500 men from Alleghany county would vote in the coming election and that everything possible is being done to get the ballots to them.

Mr. Nichols also urged that immediate members of families having sons or husbands in service fill out an application blank immediately in order that the boys may get the ballots and send them back in time to count them in the election.

"I have received applications from numerous points in the Pacific War area, India, Italy, France, England and from many posts in the states," the chairman said, yesterday.

He again explained that applications for civilians will not be available before October 8. (Continued on Page 5)

2 Pugh Brothers Meet In England

Pvt. Thomas G. Pugh and Cpl. Dent B. Pugh, sons of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Pugh, of Topia, recently met somewhere in England.

Pvt. Thomas Pugh, who suffered the loss of his left foot in the invasion of France on D-Day, has been awarded the Purple Heart. He is reported to be making normal improvement in a hospital somewhere in England. Before going overseas he received training at Camp Wheeler, Ga.

Cpl. Dent Pugh, who has been in service for the past three years, visited the younger brother in the hospital, where they spent seven hours together, talking of experiences since they were last together in March, when Cpl. Pugh visited Pvt. Pugh at Camp Wheeler, Ga., prior to their sailing for overseas duty.

Former Register Of Deeds Is Active In Invasion Of France

Cpl. Ernest E. Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Edwards recently returned to England after taking part in the first invasion of France with the glider troops of the 82nd Airborne Infantry Division, according to information just received here.

This division, which landed hours before the invasion began, was holding off two full German divisions which were trying to break through to stop the landings of the American, English and Canadian soldiers who were wading to the beaches of France, reports reveal.

The unit fought for 33 days without relief or replacements; they accomplished every mission assigned to them and no ground they gained was ever relinquished. (Continued on Page Four)

Two Alleghany Men Reported Killed And 1 Injured In Action

Farmers May Get Necessary Lumber With Application

Should Apply Through AAA Office In Sparta For Their Needs

Farmers of Alleghany are entitled to rated orders for lumber if they use it for essential maintenance and repair of implements and farm service buildings, according to C. G. Collins, chairman of the Alleghany county AAA committee.

"A farmers' lumber certificate is a rated order," he said. A dealer who fills a farmer's order supported by a certificate may extend the rating and place a certified and rated order with his supplier for replacement of his stock, he explained. "During this time of lumber shortage, the use of farmers' lumber certificates is the only way we can be sure of keeping enough lumber in the yards to meet essential farm needs," he continued. (Continued on Page Four)

Lt. R. C. Carson Is Killed In Action

First Lieutenant Robert C. Carson, 22-year-old pilot, grandson of the late Robert S. Carson, of Peach Bottom, and son of the late Oscar A. Carson, Orlando, Fla., has been reported killed while on flight over Burma.

Lt. Carson, who has a number of relatives in Alleghany, volunteered for overseas service in June, 1943, while stationed as flight instructor of advanced flying at Craig Field, Selma, Ala.

Entering the army as an air cadet shortly after Pearl Harbor, Lt. Carson received his wings at Montgomery, Ala. He attended Duke University for two years and was studying mining engineering at Michigan School of Mining and Technology when he volunteered for service.

Black Speaker At Rotary Club

West Jefferson—(Special)—R. E. Black, county agent of Alleghany county, told the Jefferson Rotary club last week that there was greater need of leadership on the farms now than ever before and that the club should sponsor the movement to make the farms of Ashe county more attractive for the young people.

"They should be encouraged to want to stay on the farm," he said. He stated that a large majority of the farms had electricity now and most people could have running water and bath rooms in their homes with a little effort and money.

Mr. Black was introduced by Ed D. Barr.

ed. Though casualties were heavy, nothing could stop or drive back their tenacious hold. The regiment landed south of St. Mere Eglise in the midst of heavy machine gun fire. Several of the gliders crashed into trees and hedgerows bordering the narrow French fields. Many of the men were engaged in hand-to-hand fighting immediately, yet within five hours, most of the regiment had assembled and forced crossings of the Merderet river at La Fiere and Chef du Pont over the Douve river. Cpl. Edwards, who was Register of Deeds of Alleghany county, prior to his entrance into the army, is a veteran of the landing in Sicily and Italy.

School Opening Is Delayed Until Monday, Sept. 18

Opening Planned For Sept. 4; Delayed Because Of N. C. Board Of Health Ruling

In accordance with the date set by the State Board of Education, Alleghany county schools will open on Monday, September 18, Superintendent Clyde Fields announced this week.

The county Board of Education had formerly set the opening date for September 4, but following the meeting of the State Board on August when they conferred with the Board of Health, a uniform date for schools all over the state was set for September 18.

"County school officials in Alleghany are glad to work with the state officials in any way from the standpoint of the schools and the health of the children," Miss Fields said.

Miss Fields also stated that the teachers and bus drivers for the county would be announced next week.

E. B. Eldridge, superintendent of Glade Valley school, announced that students were expected to arrive on the campus on September 18 and that school would begin on Tuesday, September 19. A list of the faculty members will be issued soon, Mr. Eldridge pointed out.

23 County Men Are Classified

7 Men Placed In I-A, 7 In 2-A And 6 In Various Other Classifications

The local board this week announced classifications of 23 men for military service, when seven were placed in I-A and six in various other classifications.

The classifications are as follows:

I-A: Robert H. Choate, Bert I. Wagoner, Winston W. Taylor, Clifford L. Crouse, Clayton T. Sheets, Rufus C. Edwards, and James L. Joines.

I-A (H): Fred Caudill. 2-A: Joe W. Finney, Hicks H. Hash, James A. Reeves, Alton W. Thompson, Oscar W. Billings, Oliver M. Proffit and Lester E. Vaughn.

2-A (H): Varley B. Rector. 2-B (F): Irwin W. Roberts and Ralph T. Brooks.

2-C: Clarence J. Hendrix, Harvie G. Greene, Walter J. Crouse and Glenn Sturgill.

4-F: Levi T. Shores.

Psychologist Is Visitor In Sparta

Miss Marion Stanland, psychologist, for the child welfare division of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, visited Sparta, Tuesday, and gave psychological examinations to children over whom the juvenile court has custody and who are under the supervision of the welfare department.

The mental tests are given to determine the child's mental ability. This information is essential when considering boarding home, adoptive and orphanage placements of children.

BAN FOR CHILDREN STILL ON IN COUNTY

Officials of the Alleghany county board of health, called attention to the fact, this week, that the ban prohibiting children under sixteen years of age from public gatherings has not been lifted in the county.

It was explained that indications were that this could be lifted on September 3, as previously announced if the epidemic continued to subside. As far as it is known, there have been no cases reported for several days in the county; but health authorities pointed out that they did not wish to take any chances.

Parents are asked to continue to co-operate in this matter for the protection of children and public amusement will be made as soon as the ban is lifted, it was stated.