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Red Cross War Fund Drive Opens Mon.

State Bone-Dry Bill Is Killed By Committee

N. C. Assembly Is Now In Final Stages; Cherry Supports Medical Bill

By Staff Writer

Raleigh — The N. C. General Assembly moved a step nearer the close this week as the proposed liquor referendum met a quick death and other important matters came in for consideration. The Senate finance committee voted Tuesday to give an unfavorable report to a bone-dry bill calling for a state-wide liquor referendum six months after the war.

Swift action was taken by the committee following a public hearing at which opponents of the measure attempted, to show the "evils" which they said would follow passage of the bill.

A motion by Senator Charles Rose of Cumberland that the aye's and nay's be recorded was defeated, and Senator Rose, who introduced the measure, said he did not plan to offer a minority report.

Governor Cherry went personally before the Legislature and supported the general principles of the hospital and medical care bill, but reminded that teachers had a priority on any surplus. Too, he said, many of the incorporated proposals "must be postponed until some future date."

Pursuing his oft-voiced advocacy of conservative spending and a balanced budget, the Governor said that "We cannot safely and securely build our state services on prosperity."

The bill, introduced last night after weeks of discussion outside the legislative chambers, would appropriate \$100,000 for expenses of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission; \$100,000, if (Continued on Page 4)

Cox Rites Were Held Wednesday

Mrs. Flora Ellen Cox Passes On Monday At Age Of 85 At Twin Oaks Home

Funeral service for Mrs. Flora Ellen Cox, 85, wife of the late Calloway Cox, was held yesterday at the New Haven Church of the Bretheran at Twin Oaks with Rev. Carl McKnight and Rev. John A. Reed, officiating.

Mrs. Cox, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Autery, of Montgomery county, died suddenly at her home at Twin Oaks on February 26. She had been in ill health for sometime.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Rose Andrews, with whom she made her home and two grandchildren, Mrs. Vilace Ham, of Glade Valley and Talmadge Andrews, of Twin Oaks.

Pall bearers were J. R. Sexton, G. F. Sexton, L. T. Sexton, W. M. Sexton, Willie Lee Pole and Robert Greene.

Flower girls were Mrs. J. W. Richardson, Miss Lola Ham, Miss Clyde Poole, Miss Reba Sanders, Miss Mattie Lee Sanders, Miss Pauline Sexton, Miss Ethel Poole, Miss Nan Reed, Miss Margaret Sexton and Miss Iris Poole.

Meeting Of WMU Called For Tues.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Alleghany Association of the Woman's Missionary Union has been called for March 6 at 3:30 p. m. at the Sparta Baptist church, Mrs. A. O. Joines, superintendent, announced this week.

The purpose of the meeting is to decide on the date for the annual meeting and to make plans for the year.

Members of the committee are Mrs. W. E. Shepherd, Mrs. Van Miller, Mrs. Hugh Choate, Mrs. Ben G. Reeves, Mrs. W. O. Hooper, Mrs. Richard L. West, Mrs. T. R. Burgess, Mrs. E. E. Caudill, Mrs. C. A. Reeves and Mrs. R. E. Richardson.

Americans Gaining Through Nazi Lines; Big Battle On Iwo

LEADS SIXTH GROUP



Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commanding general of the U. S. Sixth army group, made up of the 7th and 9th armies, both giving excellent accounts of themselves on the German front.

Funeral Service For R. M. Joines To Be Held Fri.

Well Known Stratford Man Died Of Heart Attack Yesterday

Roan McClellan Joines, 73, well-known man of the Stratford community, died at his home here on February 29 of a heart attack. He had been critically ill since November and was a patient in the Wilkes hospital shortly before his death.

Funeral service will be conducted Friday at 11 o'clock at the Antioch Primitive Baptist church with Eld. S. G. Caudill, Eld. Coy Walker and Eld. Walter Evans, officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Mr. Joines was the son of the late Major Joines and Molly Edwards Joines and had made his home in the Stratford community all his lifetime. He was married in early manhood to the former Miss Martha Jane Richardson, who survives.

In addition to his wife, six children (Continued on Page 4)

ALLEGHANY CITIZENS HONORED BY HOUSE

On motion of Representative T. R. Burgess, the House of Representatives of the N. C. Legislature adjourned last Friday morning in honor of the late James Mac D. Wagoner, chairman of the board of Alleghany county commissioners, who died on February 21, and also in honor of Sgt. Sam Osborne, of Alleghany county, who was killed in action in Germany.

Roosevelt, Churchill Meet In Crimea



President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill get in a huddle over their cups at the palace at Yalta, Crimea, Russia, during the conference of the Big Three, from which Roosevelt has just returned.

Russians Smash 44 Miles Through German Lines Toward Danzig

The American infantry and armor smashing across the flatlands of Western Germany yesterday in advances of ten miles or more, plunging all the way to the Erft river and within 8 1/2 miles of Cologne in a great drive that threatened the whole industrial Ruhr.

German prisoners were scooped up by the hundreds and town after town fell to the waves of troops racing forward by truck and afoot.

The spearhead of Gen. Eisenhower's mighty four-army offensive was the U. S. ninth army, which by-passed the steel center of Muenchen-Gladbach on the west and drove to the Erft river at the village of Morken, 18 miles from Duesseldorf.

German resistance was so feeble and apparently demoralized that a complete news blackout was clamped on all operations of ninth army divisions which have broken through in this area. It was thought the Germans themselves might not know the full extent of the American breakthrough. (Continued On Page Four)

Capt. Mitchell Killed In Action

Husband Of Former Miss Virginia Gentry Killed Instantly In Germany

Captain James S. Mitchell of the U. S. First Army was killed in action in Germany on February 5, according to a message received from the War Department by his wife, the former Miss Virginia Gentry.

Captain Mitchell, the commander of the infantry battalion with which he maintained field artillery liaison, was hit when a number of mortar shells fell among the group of men with whom he was working. Medical attention was immediately available but could do nothing to save him, according to a report from Lt. Col. Donald W. Adams. Captain Mitchell became unconscious and died very shortly after being wounded. Due to the shock and the administration of anesthetic he said nothing and did not appear to suffer, Col. Adams reported.

Captain Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Smith Mitchell, Jr., and grandson of the late Rev. and Mrs. S. S. Mitchell, Sr., of Tampa, Fla., entered service in May, 1942, and went overseas in October, 1944.

He was married to Miss Virginia Gentry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Gentry, of Sparta, in September, 1943. They have one child, Virginia Ann, born January 6, 1945.

Gov. R. Gregg Cherry Launches N. C. Pulpwood Campaign



Inaugurating an emergency pulpwood production campaign in North Carolina, Governor R. Gregg Cherry urged farmers and pulpwood workers to cut pulpwood for war. With him are Curtis M. Hutchins, right, chief of the WPB Pulpwood Production Branch, and John W. Goodman, assistant director of the N. C. Extension Service, who acted as chairman of the recent meeting of U. S., state and industry representatives in Raleigh. North Carolina's goal is 450,000 cords by June 30.

Will Continue Dairy Subsidy Farm Payments

Will Be Continued Through 1945, AAA Chairman Announces This Week

Plans for continuation of dairy production payments through the last nine months of 1945 have been announced by the War Food Administration, according to G. C. Collins, Chairman Alleghany County AAA Committee.

"This announcement definitely extends the program for another 3-month period, through June 30 1945," he declared, "and continuation of the program after this date is necessarily conditional upon the approval of Congress. The specific rates of payment after June 30 must also remain subject to later revision." (Continued on Page 4)

Commissioners' Pay Is Increased

Raleigh—Proposals to put the Alleghany County clerk of Superior Court on a straight salary of \$900 a year rather than fees were reported unfavorably last week by a House Committee.

The proposals were incorporated in a bill introduced in the House by Representative Roy Burgess, of Sparta, who said he was offering it "by request."

Two-thirds vote of the House is necessary to get a bill in the unfavorable list.

Another bill introduced by Burgess to raise the pay of county commissioners from \$3.50 to \$5 a day was ratified. The commissioners would receive \$5 "for each day in which they are engaged in the discharge of the official duties" of the board. They would also be paid five cents a mile for use of their cars on official business.

Local American Legion Post Making Plans For Permanent Memorial For Men In Service

Alleghany Men Are Classified By Local Board

Out Of Group Of 52, Only 8 Are Placed In I-A; Classifications Listed

The local board this week announced classifications of 52 Alleghany men for military service when eight men were placed in IIA and 44 in various other classifications.

The classification list is as follows: I-A: Boyd D. Roberts, Russell G. Moxley, James H. Stevenson, Robert L. Gambill, Jr., Estel R. Billings, Thomas E. Miller, Clay F. Crouse and Howard H. Irwin. I-C: (Ind.): Kyle S. Nichols, Clifford W. Johnson, Walter Zrinegar, Ardell Hawkins, Jr. (Continued on Page 8)

Gambill To Serve As Commissioner

J. C. Gambill was appointed this week by Clerk of Court, S. O. Gambill, to fill the unexpired term of James McD. Wagoner; on the board of Alleghany county commissioners.

Mr. Gambill, who has served for eight years as county commissioner from 1934 to December 1942, will take the oath of office at the March meeting on the first Monday. The two other members of the board are Guy T. Perry and R. T. Hendrix.

Commander Jess Moxley Will Welcome Suggestions From The Public

Initial plans are now being considered for the erection of a suitable memorial to Alleghany county men of World Wars I and II, the project to be sponsored by the American Legion.

The nature of the memorial and plans for the erection will be decided and worked out by a committee appointed by Commander Jess Moxley. Members of the committee include R. F. Crouse, Dillon Edwards, Victor Phipps, Ed Pugh and Cleve Nichols, veteran of World War II.

The committee, which will make a report to the Legion at the next meeting, plans to take up the matter with the State and National Legion headquarters for assistance in working out the plans for the memorial.

"We are planning a permanent memorial to the veterans of both wars, a memorial of which the people of the county will be proud," one member of the committee pointed out. (Continued on Page Four)

CADET RICHARDSON IS MADE CORP. AT ORMI

Cadet Officer and Non-commissioned Officer appointments for 1944-45 in the Oak Ridge Military Institute Reserve Officers' Training Corps were announced this week by Captain Charles R. Simons, Infantry, Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

Corp. R. D. Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Richardson, of Sparta, is listed among the cadet non-commissioned officers.

Township Chmn. Are Named And Quotas Assigned

County's Quota Of \$1,700.00 Is Divided Among The Various Townships

Plans for Alleghany's Red Cross War Fund Drive were completed Tuesday night when township chairmen and quotas were assigned by county chairman Isom Wagoner. It was decided that the drive would officially open on Monday, March 5, and close March 15, provided the county's quota of \$1,700 is raised within that time.

Mr. Wagoner announced that any person who makes a contribution of \$5.00 or more to the Red Cross will have his or her name printed in the Alleghany News along with the man in service in whose honor the contribution is made. At the end of the drive, Mr. Wagoner stated, a placard containing the names of donors and those men in whose honor the donation was made, will be posted in the courthouse.

"We will need the co-operation of every citizen in the county in order to make a successful drive," Mr. Wagoner pointed out. "If we can double our quota it will be to our credit and if we can triple it we will have done our duty to this great humanitarian organization," one leader stated. The drive will open with a box supper and moving picture at Rich Hill school, Saturday night, March 3 at 8 o'clock. Everyone is urged to bring a box.

Township chairmen and assigned quotas are as follows:

Gap Civil, \$625.00, Bill Sprinkle; Cherry Lane, \$125.00, W. C. Thompson; Prather's Creek, \$300.00, Mrs. E. C. Mitchell; Whitehead, \$125.00, Mrs. Ethelyn Richardson; Piney Creek, \$250.00, Mack Woodie; Glade Creek, \$250.00, Isom Wagoner and Cranberry, \$125.00, Ed Pugh.

Each of the ten rural carriers in the county were assigned quotas of \$100.00 each. Lon M. (Continued on Page 8)

Doughton Again Heads Welfare

Re-appointed Head Of Board By Legislature; Other Appointments Soon

Gov. R. A. Doughton has been re-appointed by the State Board of Charities as Alleghany county's appointee for the county welfare board, it was announced this week.

Through a special act of the legislature, all county welfare boards throughout the state were cancelled and on recommendation of the state board of charities, the legislature appointed one man for each county.

The board of county commissioners will appoint a second member and the two members in turn will elect a third member. The new board will become effective on July 1, it was pointed out.

Present members of the board are Gov. Doughton, John M. Cheek and John A. Higgins.

Alleghany now has no superintendent of public welfare since Swanson Edwards was drafted into military service. Miss Doris Wagoner is acting secretary.

It is hoped that in addition to a superintendent of welfare, a county nurse will also be secured in the near future, Gov. Doughton stated.

OPA Raises Some Ration Points

Washington—The OPA ordered a boost in the ration point values on lard, shortening, salad and cooking oils and margarine, effective at 12:01 a. m., Sunday.

The margarine value goes to five red points a pound from three, the ration cost of the other products will be four red points a pound instead of two.

Butter, not affected, remains at 24 points a pound. The increase result from a tight supply situation, OPA said.

Rationing Guide

- PROCESSED FOODS**
- Blue Stamps . . .
X5, Y5, Z5, A2, B2, now valid, expire March 31. C2, D2, E2, F2, G2, now valid, expire April 28. H2, J2, K2, L2, M2, now valid, expire June 2.
- MEATS AND FATS**
- Red Stamps . . .
Q5, R5, S5, now valid, expire March 31. T5, U5, V5, W5, X5, now valid, expire April 28. Y5, Z5, A2, B2, C2, D2, now valid, expire June 2.
- SUGAR**
- Sugar Stamp No. 34, good for five pounds, expires February 28.
- Sugar Stamp No. 35, good for five pounds, expires June 2.
- SHOES**
- Airplane Stamps No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 now good.



After a week in the front line, every minute of which might have been their last, these three doughboys are leaving the German front for a 48-hour break. Their faces plainly show the effects of the strain.