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"If the choice were left to me whether to have a free press or a free government, I would choose a free press."—Thomas Jefferson.

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A Little Less Sugar

With the cut in sugar allotment this week, many people will be lamenting this slight inconvenience. It seems a hardship in one way. But if we look at it another way, it is very, very minute in comparison to the other privations of war millions of people are having to undergo.

There are several ways to look at a slight decrease in sugar, too, for most doctors say that the average American eats too many sweets. Of course, there is honey, molasses, syrup and other substitutes. We might get along on these unless we are like some man we heard talking yesterday. He declared that he just had to feel the sandy texture of sugar in his coffee, tea or on his cereal!

A Little More Gas

Will we get more gasoline after the fighting ends in Europe?

The answer is "yes"—but the extra quantity we will get will probably be very small at first.

The most optimistic estimate we have heard—made by Petroleum Administrator Ickes—is that civilians will get 200,000 barrels more per day. At present, civilians are getting an average of 547,000 barrels daily. If Mr. Ickes is right—we would get an approximate increase of 36%. So, if you are getting two gallons of gas per week at present, this might be increased to almost three gallons.

But holders of "A" coupons may not get that much increase. For the OPA has found that there are many holders of "B" coupons who do not now have enough gasoline to carry on necessary war work.

Before the war our nation consumed 1,750,000 barrels a day. So even though we get a slight increase, we still won't have one-third of the gasoline we had "in the good old days."

And as the gasoline supply becomes slightly more plentiful, it looks as though the tire situation will become more serious. All the signs indicate that this is not the summer for planning any kind of a motor trip.

Milk And Health

Convincing evidence of world-wide improvements in food selection is found in the War Food Administration purchases during the present emergency. Never before have milk and its products played so important a part in the nutrition and rehabilitation of afflicted peoples.

During 1944, this war agency purchased foods for lend-lease, territorial emergency, and for use by the Red Cross and similar humanitarian organizations to the extent of a little over one billion, five hundred and fifty million dollars. Of this more than two hundred and forty million dollars were spent for dairy products. In other words, nearly sixteen per cent of all such food expenditures were for the products of America's dairy industry. This compares with two per cent of dairy products in such feeding programs during and after the first World War, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Most of the sacrifices which Americans are making through curtailed supplies of

butter, cheese, ice cream and milk are going to the fighting forces, states the National Dairy Council. However, another important reason for the scarcity of these vital foods is due to the recognition on the part of the Red Cross and other agencies, of the need for proper nutrition in recovered areas where serious malnutrition exists.

The people of this area, the foremost dairy section of the State, are fortunate to have little shortage in dairy products for civilian use. When there is a shortage of butter and some other items, let us remember that they are being used in the war effort and consider it a privilege to do without.

The Family Circle

Just before his death the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt in a letter endorsing National Family Week to be observed in churches, synagogues and communities from May 6 to May 13, stated that "The war has brought to all of us the meaning of the love and the joy and the spiritual unity which derive from the home."

The National Family Week Committee consists of Rev. Harry C. Munro, Secretary, Inter-Council Committee on Christian Family Life; Rev. Edgar Schmiedeler, O. S. B., Secretary, Catholic Conference on Family Life; and Rabbi Ahron Opher, Synagogue Council of America. Pointing out that families are the first to suffer from war—in separation, bereavement, dislocation, neglect of children, hasty and ill-advised marriages—the Committee believes that "the responsible constructive forces of the community must be brought face to face with the rising tide of juvenile delinquency due to disrupted home conditions, and to increasing war-time hates, race prejudices and intolerance."

The child who learns, within the warm and loving family circle, to obey the word of God, and to respect the rights of others as they respect his, grows up to be a mature, democracy-conscious citizen. As such, he will not be misled by the propaganda of religious and racial hatred spread by our enemies to destroy the unity of Americans. More than any other social institution, the family is the guardian of the human rights and civilized values for which we are fighting today. It is, therefore, the community's responsibility to provide adequate facilities for health, education and recreation, which can help each family maintain a wholesome, healthful home environment.

In the words of President Roosevelt, National Family Week "is performing a notable task in focusing attention upon the group—the family—which is the basis of civilization."

Full Time Farmers

Maybe it's these Spring days that make a fellow want to philosophize about the weather. Whatever it is, Colonel James N. Keelin, Director of Selective Service in sunny Georgia, has been doing just that. And his thinking has caused him to come up with some interesting ideas about duty.

Reflecting upon the weather, the good colonel points out that "weather and weather conditions can be controlled in an air-conditioned factory," but the poor farmer has to take whatever Mother Nature decides to give him, even if it means laying off farm work for a few days at a time.

Which brings him 'round to duty . . . And duty, thinks the State Director, is purely a matter of "exertion."

A fellow in an aircraft factory, Colonel Keelin feels, who manages to squeeze out enough extra "exertion" to sit on a ration board or go to a Blood Depot to give blood plasma is doing his duty.

But he thinks that a farmer who squeezes out enough extra "exertion" on wet and rainy days to go fishing—just isn't

"If you are farming full time and can spare a day or two in the woods occasionally," said the State Director, "that makes you more valuable in winning the war."

Pointing to the urgent need for pulpwood for vital war uses, Colonel Keelin said: "When deferred farm workers have a spare day or two when conditions make farm work impossible, it is vitally important that they work in their own woods or nearby pulpwood operations rather than do less essential war jobs."

We agree with the colonel's viewpoint. Wet and rainy days given over to cutting peeled top quality pulpwood this Spring ought to make fishing all the better next Spring when maybe our boys will be back to fish with us.

Funeral Service Held Yesterday For W. R. Jones

Died On Tuesday Morning At The Age Of 83 After Long Illness

West Jefferson — (Special) — Funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon for William Reid Jones, prominent local citizen, at the West Jefferson Methodist church, following his death on Tuesday morning. The Rev. John S. Jordan, pastor of the church, was in charge of the service and burial followed in the town cemetery.

Mr. Jones who was 83 years old at the time of his death, had been inactive for a number of years because of declining health and he and his wife had made their home here with Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Jones.

He was a native of Alleghany county and for many years taught in the schools of Ashe and Alleghany. He still had hundreds of friends among the many he had taught. He later gave up teaching and travelled for some time before accepting a position in Washington, D. C.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Katherine Taylor, and the following daughters, Mrs. Edgar Jones, West Jefferson; Mrs. Carolyn Miller, New Oxford, Pa.; Mrs. D. L. Taylor, Kingstree, S. C.; Mrs. Lewis Wilkins, Spruce Pine and one brother, J. W. Jones, of Glen Rose, Texas.

Funeral services here were attended by a large number of friends and relatives. Active pallbearers were: Earl Graybeal, C. Taylor, James B. Hensley, Carl Colvard, Russell Barr and Earl Davidson.

Flower bearers included Mrs. R. C. Ray Misses Helen Ghormley, Winona Roland, Norma Roland, Mrs. Robert Barr, Miss Clara Cockerham, Mrs. William Blay, Mrs. Earl Davidson, Mrs. Clayborne Parsons, Mrs. P. G. Wright Mrs. Boyd Richardson, Mrs. James Hensley, Mrs. Ray Gilley, Mrs. Russell Barr, Mrs. John Jordan, Mrs. Forrest McMillan, Mrs. Ed M. Anderson, Mrs. Earl Graybeal, Mrs. Norman Hege and Mrs. Dean McMillan.

VOTING POWER OF NATIONS UNSETTLED

(Continued from Page One) the question of its voting procedure still undecided. Yet to be determined is whether majority or two thirds rules, or a combination of these, should be employed in reaching decisions.

One authority said a proposal had been blocked this morning in the steering committee to require a two-thirds vote on accepting any amendment. Herbert Evatt, deputy prime minister of Australia, was reported to have objected strongly on grounds this would prevent small nations from making any alterations in the Dumbarton Oaks plan.

Then, reported members present, this was the course of action: Foreign Commissar Molotov of Russia spoke up for the requirement of a two-thirds vote to pass any amendment to the basic Dumbarton Oaks proposals.

Molotov said he was aware that a bare majority could be constituted from the American republics alone and that there was danger in allowing a proposal to be adopted by a bare majority.

Evatt suggested amendments should be decided according to their importance, with special majorities required only when the proposals affected the foundations of the Dumbarton Oaks plan.

SPARTA GRANGE SETS GOALS FOR YEAR

(Continued from Page 1) tement, J. B. Reed, R. E. Black, Lonnie Edwards, Lester Woodruff and T. R. Burgess: roads, A. T. Gambill, A. V. Choate, Ralph Gentry, Robert Lee Crouse and T. R. Greene.

"We feel that these goals, when they are met, will mean much to the county as a whole and we mean to put forth every effort to reach them," Grange Master Gambill stated.

W. O. Hooper, secretary of the Sparta Grange, pointed out that the membership was steadily growing and urged that all those interested persons who had not attended a meeting to do so and to become a member.

As the automobile has displaced the horse for transportation, so hybrid corn strains will displace standard varieties, say the Extension agronomists of State College.

WAR BONDS . . . buy them help win victory.

Death Agony of a Monster



Clothes Drive Will Close Here Saturday, May 12

Collections May Be Brought To The Courthouse, Mrs. Choate Announces

Mrs. A. V. Choate, chairman of the drive to collect old clothes, this week urged that those persons who had not done so bring in all donations of old clothing immediately as the drive will end on Saturday, May 12.

The response so far has been excellent, but some of the schools have not yet brought in their collections to the central collection point here in Sparta, she pointed out. The chairman again reminded teachers throughout the county that collections should be brought to the rear of the courthouse and placed in the basement room there. The key to this room may be obtained from Sheriff Moxley.

Every effort is being made to secure as much old clothing as possible before the drive ends and everyone is urged to make a donation. Clothing should be tied in bundles and brought in to the courthouse or to any of the various schools throughout the county Mrs. Choate explained.

SUGAR RATIONING CUT 25 PER CENT

(Continued from Page One) Europe might make the reduction short-lived.

The move was attributed to "a sharp reduction in sugar supplies, tremendously increased requirements for liberated Europe and a rate of civilian consumption exceeding allocations."

"Consumers this year for the first time in two decades must depend entirely on current production," the announcement said, "domestic reserves are at rock bottom."

Americans used sugar in the first three months of this year at a rate which threatened to exhaust all supplies by this Fall, WFA reported. The 1,340,000 tons rationed to civilians before April 1 amounted to more than one-fourth of the total supply available for the year. Normally the first three months are the low consumption period.

Laurel Springs Man Dies At 83

Funeral service for Franklin Isaac Brinegar, 83, of Laurel Springs, was conducted April 19 at Pleasant Grove church with Rev. Mack Dowell and Rev. Mack Tedder officiating. Interment followed in the Richardson cemetery.

Mr. Brinegar died on April 17 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Donley Anderson. He had been seriously ill for about two weeks.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Donley Anderson, of Laurel Springs, ten grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Glenn Brinegar, Ray Anderson, Wakie Brinegar, Golden Anderson, Rudy Anderson and Boyde Caudill.

SUPERIOR COURT ENDS ON MONDAY

(Continued from Page One) Emerson Jones, charged with forgery, was placed on probation and ordered to pay \$25.00 and cost. He was also given a one year suspended sentence. Hurley Bell was fined \$100.00 and cost and given an 18 months suspended sentence on charges of breaking and entering and larceny. On a second charge of larceny of gas, prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of cost in the case of Bell; Clarence McGrady was given a fine of \$50.00 and cost with an 18 months' suspended sentence.

Bob Couch, charged with assault with deadly weapon, was given 12 months on the road. In the case of Mildred Inez Atwood, charged with having five gallons of bootleg liquor in her possession, was ordered to pay the cost while her automobile, which she was driving at the time, was confiscated and will be sold, the money to go to the Alleghany County Board of Education.

Four divorces were granted. They include: L. T. Mabe vs. Gertha Mabe; Rose Johnson Boone vs. Wade Boone; Ethelton E. Richardson vs. M. L. Richardson and Ruth Eldreth Poe vs. Bernard Poe.

M. T. Crouse was granted permission to make out bill of sale and sell property of Clough Manganese Corporation and Royal E. Horton as reimbursement for salary the Manganese Corp. failed to pay him.

Several cases were continued until the fall term of court. Among these were: Ray Burchett and Gracie LaFon charged with misdemeanor, fornication and adultery; Ivan B. Wilborn, driving drunk; Lincoln Hill, wreckless driving and Albert Rutherford, charged with bigamy.

Bell - Muller

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Dorothy Muller, of Bel Air, Md., to Conright Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Bell, of Whitehead, on April 25.

The bride is a graduate of Bel Air high school. The groom has been employed in Maryland for the past five years.

The couple plan to make their home in Maryland.

Mt. Zion News

By MRS. S. E. SMITH Staff Correspondent

Fred Pugh visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Pugh, Saturday afternoon.

Bob Faircloth, of Scottville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pugh, recently.

A number of young people of this community attended the party given for Sidney Blevins at his home last Tuesday night. He left Thursday for Ft. Bragg.

David Perry has returned to Pennsylvania, after spending the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Perry.

Mrs. Lottie Smith visited Mrs. Ruth Perry, Tuesday.

A number of people from this community attended court in Sparta this week.

COUNTY-WIDE S. S. MEETING IS HELD

(Continued from Page One) report and the superintendent and secretary were elected.

The Rev. E. B. Barton and A. O. Joines discussed, "The Meaning of a Sunday School and Its Results in our Churches". Mrs. Blevins then gave a report on, "How to Increase Attendance" and "The Importance of Training In Our Churches Through The Sunday School." E. C. Minnich discussed, "Young People and the Sunday School."

Mrs. Gene Irwin, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Walter Johnson, rendered a solo.

BIRTHS ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Carey D. Blevins announce the arrival of a son, Jerry Paige, at the Ashe hospital, Jefferson, on April 12; weight, 8½ pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Williams announce the birth of a son at the Ashe hospital, Jefferson, on April 28.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for their kindness and help during the illness and death of our father and grandfather, Frank Brinegar; also for the floral tributes.

Mr. and Mrs. Donley Anderson and family.

Obituary

WILLIAM LUNDY IRWIN

William Lundy Irwin, son of Frank and Sarah Irwin, was born July 12, 1879 and departed this life August 6, 1944, making his stay on earth 65 years and 25 days.

He was married to Mat Estep in 1900 and to this union were born two children, one daughter, Myra Watson, of Stratford and one son, who preceded him in death at the age of about two years.

He professed a hope in Christ in early life and joined the church at Antioch in February, 1904, and lived a faithful member until death.

He had been in ill health for a number of years, his health being very poor for the last three months. He went to the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem, where all the skilled aid of his physician and the aid of his daughter failed in his recovery. On the sixth day of August at 10 minutes until 12 o'clock, the Good Lord saw fit to call him from his suffering to his home of perfect rest.

Bill, as he was known, will be greatly missed by his friends and loved ones as he was so good to visit the sick and help in time of need and to do everything he could for those in distress.

He leaves one daughter, Myra, and one brother, Abe Irwin, of Furches; one sister, Nan Irwin, of Stratford, and a number of nephews and nieces, with a host of friends that greatly mourn their loss as we feel our loss is his eternal gain.

Dear Dad, it is hard to part but I would say, sleep on, for your memory ever lives in my heart.

Written by his daughter, Mrs. Myra Watson.