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## Many Expected At Guernsey Sale Friday

### County Passes Half Way Mark In Bond Drive

**\$38,464 Yet To Be Sold Before E Bond Quota Is Reached This Month**

Alleghany county passed the half mark in E bond sales this week as \$49,537.50 was reported late yesterday afternoon on the E bond quota of \$88,000.00. This leaves \$38,462.50 E bonds yet to be sold. The over all quota is \$110,000.00.

Cherry Lane township with Ralph Gentry serving as chairman, has exceeded the quota of \$8,452.00 assigned in this Seventh War Loan Drive with more than \$10,000.00 reported. This is the first township to meet the assigned quota in this drive, county chairman Alton Thompson pointed out and added that Cherry Lane was to be congratulated on the record.

A rally will be held at Rich Hill school on Saturday night, June 16, it was announced when both Glade Creek and Cherry Lane townships will participate.

The rally held at Little Pine school last Saturday night was very successful with total sales amounting to \$8,500.00, township chairman I. W. Wagoner announced. Bonds purchased at this rally included \$5,500 by Early Smith and immediate members of his family. These bonds were bought in honor of Pvt. Eugene Spurlin and were listed as follows: Early Smith, \$1,500; Mrs. Eugene Spurlin, \$1,600.00; Mrs. Early Smith, \$800.00; Odell Smith, \$800.00 and Billy Smith, \$800.00. (Continued on Page Four)

### Alleghany Men Freed From Nazis

**Pfc. Hale Truitt And Pfc. William R. Anderson Liberated Recently**

Two other Alleghany men have been liberated from German prisons and are en route to the states, it was learned this week.

Pfc. Hale Truitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kennie Truitt, of Sparta, route 2, was liberated by the Russian army on May 1, according to a letter received by his parents recently. After a brief stay in France and England, Pfc. Truitt will embark for the states.

He entered service in October, 1941 and trained at Fort Knox, Ky., going overseas in May, 1942. He was captured in February, 1943 and spent 27 months in a Nazi prison.

Pfc. William R. Anderson (Buster), of Piney Creek, nephew of Mrs. Cleo McMillan, was liberated on May 11, according to a recent message. Pfc. Anderson wrote that he was well and was on his way home.

He was captured on November 29, 1944, spending six months as a prisoner of the Germans. He has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in France in November and in addition has won the expert rifle, machine gun, pistol, hand-grenade and good conduct medals.

Two other Alleghany boys, Cpl. Kyle Mabe, of Furches, who spent five months in an internment camp, and Pvt. Robert Cleve Andrews, who was a prisoner for 20 months, have also been liberated. S-Sgt. Virgil O. Sommers, who is married to the former Miss Ella Phipps, of Piney Creek, has also been liberated and is now at his home in Ohio.

### To Close Office Wed. And Thurs.

L. E. Edwards, register of deeds for Alleghany county, announced this week that his office would be closed all day on Wednesdays and Fridays until further notice.

The reason for this action, Mr. Edwards explained, is that he may use these days for the purpose of working on the county tax books. Owing to the re-valuation of property in the county this year, the tax rate was set and the books turned over to him at a later date than usual, he stated.

## Crouse Is Named On State Board Of Conservation

**NAMED TO POST**



**R. Floyd Crouse, who has been named by Governor R. Gregg Cherry as a member of the Board of Conservation and Development.**

**Alleghany Man Will Serve Period Of Six Years In New Position**

Mayor R. Floyd Crouse, prominent Sparta attorney and a man keenly interested in the development of actual resources of this state, has been named as a member of the North Carolina Board of Conservation and Development by Gov. R. Gregg Cherry. The appointment was made last week and Mr. Crouse's term will run for six years.

Only four members of the present board were reappointed. The terms, staggered by an act of the 1945 legislature, are from two to six years. R. Bruce Etheridge, who is well-known in this section, has been named director of the department at a salary of \$6,000 per year.

Named to two-year terms were W. J. Damtoff of Asheville, Josh L. Horne of Rocky Mount, A. H. Guion of Charlotte, Charles S. Allen of Durham and W. Roy Hampton of Plymouth.

Receiving four-year terms were K. Clyde Council of Wainwright, J. Wilber Bunn of Raleigh, Dr. J. D. Rudisill of Lenoir, A. K. Winget, of Albermarle and Jersey B. Ferebee of Andrews.

Six-year terms went to Oscar Breece of Fayetteville, D. M. Stafford of Greensboro, Mr. Crouse, Miles J. Smith of Salisbury and J. R. Wollett of Littleton.

The board is charged with the responsibility of the development of the state from a recreational as well as an industrial standpoint, which makes it one of the most important boards in the state government.

### Commissioners Raise County Tax Rate To 90 Cents

**Increase Of Ten Cents Will Go Toward New School Buildings**

The tax rate for Alleghany county was increased ten cents, making the 1945 tax levy 90 cents, at the meeting of the county board of commissioners here on Monday and Tuesday, it was announced this week.

The increase in the tax levy provides for 15 cents for new public school buildings in the county, it was pointed out. A deduction of five cents was made on the operating expenses of the county, thus making the actual increase in tax levy only ten cents for 1945. This is still far lower than most counties, officials point out.

The budget estimate for the ensuing year is as follows: County purposes, 15 cents; poor relief, 5 cents; debt service, 20 cents; agricultural instruction and county agent, 6 cents; social security, 12 cents; health service, 3 cents; school service, including (Continued on Page 4)

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

Memorial and decoration service will be held at Rocky Ridge Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, it was announced this week. The decoration service will be at the Weaver cemetery there. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Alleghany Men Serving Overseas



**Pfc. William Floyd Maines, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Maines, of Sparta, is now in Germany with the First Army. Cpl. Henderson L. Brackins, right, son of Floyd Brackins, of Furches, was awarded the Fifth Army Plaque in Italy, recently. A pump operator in an engineer platoon of fire fighters, he is known to his friends as Vester.**

### Julius Womble Making Record

**Former Sparta Man Completes 60 Bombing Missions; Wins Medal**

Miami Beach, Fla.—S-Sgt. Julius H. Womble, 32, of Sparta, has arrived at Army Air Forces Redirection Station No. 2 in Miami Beach for reassignment processing after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States.

Medical examinations and classification interviews at this post, pioneer of several redistribution stations operated by the AAF Personnel Distribution Command for AAF returnee officers and enlisted men, will determine his new assignment. He will remain at the redistribution station about two weeks, much of which will be devoted to rest and recreation.

As an A-20 Havoc gunner, (Continued on Page Five)

### Plans Made For Opening Of Curb Market June 29

**Mrs. Roscoe Smith Will Serve As Treasurer; Women To Attend District Meet**

At a meeting of the presidents of each home demonstration club in the county at the office of the home agent, Mrs. Isom Wagoner, here on Monday, rules and prices were made for the curb market, which will open at Roaring Gap on June 29.

Walter Bovard, manager of Greystone Inn and Mrs. Bovard attended the meeting and offered helpful suggestions on different foods that would sell best on the market.

Mrs. Roscoe Smith, of Roaring Gap, was elected treasurer for the curb market this year and a county committee composed of Mrs. Arol Choate, Mrs. Parley Truitt and Mrs. Odell Crouse, was elected to serve with Mrs. Wagoner in supervising the market.

It was also announced that a meeting would be held at the community building on Saturday, June 16 at 2:00 p. m., when all club women who are planning to sell any products on the curb market this year, are urged to attend. This will be the last meeting before the opening of the market and it is important that each woman be present, Mrs. Wagoner urged.

A report on the market was made at the county council meeting held in the office of the home agent on Saturday, Mrs. Wagoner. (Continued on Page 4)

### Rural Carriers Elect Officers

**Lon M. Reeves Will Again Serve As President Of Association**

Lon M. Reeves was re-elected president of the Alleghany Rural Carriers Association at the annual meeting held at the community building here last Friday night. Other officers re-elected were: Mack Woodie, vice-president and Ed Pugh, secretary and treasurer.

Ed M. Anderson, publisher, spoke to the group on pending legislation pertaining to the raise in salaries of rural carriers. Mr. Anderson commended the group of ten carriers on their faithfulness and loyalty to the service.

I. W. Wagoner, Ennice carrier, talked on the retirement plan and Mayor R. F. Crouse spoke briefly on the service rendered by rural carriers.

The Women's Auxiliary also held election of officers. Mrs. I. W. Wagoner succeeded Mrs. Carl Irwin as president; Mrs. Leffrage Wagoner was elected vice-president and Mrs. Ed Pugh was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

The meal was served by the Lucille Ford Circle of the Sparta Baptist church.

### Rationing Guide

**MEATS AND FATS**  
Book Four red stamps E2 through J2 good through June 30; K2 through P2 good through July 31; Q2 through U2 good through Aug. 31; V2 through Z2 good through Sept. 30.

**PROCESSED FOODS**  
Book Four blue stamps N2 through S2 good through June 30; T2 through X2 good through July 31; Y2, Z2 and A1 through C1 good through Aug. 31; D1 and E1 good through Sept. 30.

**SUGAR**  
Book Four stamp 36 good for five pounds through Aug. 31. Next stamp valid Sept. 1.

**SHOES**  
Book Three airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 good indefinitely. OPA says no plans to cancel any. Next stamp valid Aug. 1.

**GASOLINE**  
15-A coupons good for four gallons each through June 31; 16-A coupons become valid June 22 for six gallons each. B-6, B-7, C-6 and C-7 coupons good for five gallons each.

## Jap Resistance On Okinawa Near End; Invasion Predicted

**Heavy Attacks From Air On Japanese Mainland; Anniversary Of D-Day Noted**

A complete news blackout on the swift American operations on Southern Okinawa hinted at important developments as Japan, losing important ground on manifold war fronts, frankly expressed fears of a homeland invasion.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz strangely omitted all mention of Okinawa ground activity in a delayed communique which told only of scattered aerial blows against Nippon.

This extraordinary omission was taken to indicate a later announcement might be forthcoming on the expected end of organized resistance on the important island. The Japanese at last reports were being compressed into the small southern tip of the island and were losing their grasp of the huge Naha airfield, best in the Ryukyus.

Japanese invasion jitters flared anew as Tokyo radio acknowledged that Nippon's war situation on Okinawa was "most critical" The Japanese news agency Domei reported Tokyo newspapers were agreed that "unmistakable signs point to the enemy's intention to invade the Japanese mainland" in due course of time.

Domei warned loss of Okinawa, only 325 miles south of Japan proper, would mean intensification of American raids on the homeland. One year ago Tuesday night, a (Continued on Page 4)

### Rich Hill Will Hold Bond Rally

**Two Townships, Glade Creek And Cherry Lane, To Cooperate**

A bond rally will be held at Rich Hill school on Saturday night, June 16 at eight o'clock with both Glade Creek and Cherry Lane townships participating, chairman I. W. Wagoner and Ralph Gentry announced this week.

A number of German rifles, flags, bayonets, medals, money and other articles captured and sent home by Ennice men overseas, will be on display, it was explained. The chairmen also urged that anyone in that section having captured relics of this war and wishing to add them to the display, should bring them along.

"Everyone in this community who wishes to buy a bond should attend the rally and do their part to finish the Japs," one leader stated.

Music will be furnished by the Smith brothers band.

**ATTORNEY GENERAL**



**Thomas Campbell Clark, 45, of Texas, has been named by President Truman to succeed Francis Biddle as attorney general.**

### Mrs. John Joines Buried At Sparta Sunday Afternoon

**Well-Known County Woman Passes At Age Of 72 After Lingered Illness**

Funeral service for Mrs. John L. Joines, 72, widely-known Sparta woman, was held at the Sparta Baptist church, Sunday afternoon with the Rev. Carl McKnight and the Rev. G. R. Blackburn, officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The daughter of Thomas and Delilah Jarvis, she was known as Laura Ennice Jarvis before her marriage in 1891 to John L. Joines. She had been a member of the Sparta Baptist church for the past 41 years and had made her home near Sparta during her entire life.

Mrs. Joines died suddenly at her home on May 31, following a long period of ill health.

Surviving in addition to her husband is one son, Robert Joines, of Sparta. Three brothers, Kell Jarvis, of Sparta; Vestil Jarvis, of Independence, Va., and Beale Jarvis, of Whitehead, and one sister, Mrs. Mack Ted (Continued on Page 4)

### SERVICE ANNOUNCED

Rev. G. W. Blackburn will conduct service at the Sparta Baptist church on the fourth Sunday in June, it was announced this week. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Some Of State's Best Herds Will Be Represented

**20 Registered Animals To Be Sold At Auction; Prizes To Be Awarded**

A large number of dairymen and farmers from this county and from surrounding areas are expected to attend the Guernsey consignment sale here tomorrow at 12:30 p. m., back of the courthouse.

R. E. Black, county agent and chairman of arrangements, pointed out that 17 heifers and 3 young bulls had been consigned to the sale. These cattle have been selected from some of the best herds in North Carolina, he stated.

Consigners to the purebred registered Guernsey sale include A. L. Brown, Concord; Herman L. Burgess, Cycle; Y. C. Collins, Salisbury; H. W. Doub, East Bend; Klondike Farm, Elkin; Fowler and Gambill, Pfafftown; T. Holt Haywood, Winston-Salem; R. E. Lasater, Winston-Salem; P. M. Neisler, Kings Mountain; Sanford and Blackwelder, Mocksville; M. F. Shore, Cycle; Carl Sofley, Cana and J. H. Sparks, Mocksville.

Immediately following the sale of the heifers two young registered bulls will be given by Y. C. Collins and Coble Dairies. Mr. Collins, a former Alleghany county resident, has announced that his bull will be given to some county man buying a heifer at the sale, while the Coble bull will be drawn for by Coble patrons who buy heifers.

Tonight, the Sparta Chamber of Commerce will entertain consigners and officials of the sale. The meal will be served by the Methodist W. S. C. S.

### Dairying Shows Increase Here

**Best Results Obtained From Purebred Cows; Income For County Large**

By Staff Writer

The dairy industry has shown unusual growth in Alleghany county during the past few years and the holding of the Guernsey consignment sale here Friday not only attests to that fact, but also gives assurance to a continued expansion in the future.

The income from dairying in the county last year has been estimated at \$350,000. There are approximately 600 farmers selling milk to one or more of the four concerns that purchase milk in the county.

These farmers are milking from 2 to 30 cows and experiments clearly show that purebred cattle produce more and a better quality of milk than do average cows.

Another important factor in connection with purebred cattle is that their offsprings sell at a higher price.

A splendid market is provided locally by Coble Dairies, Carnation Milk company, Kraft Cheese company and Klondike Farms.

The county now has 13 Grade A milk producers. They are J. H. Miller, Laurel Springs; Reece Miller Laurel Springs; Will Pugh, Whitehead; R. G. Joines, Sparta; C. G. Collins, Sparta; A. V. Choate, Sparta; Hugh Choate, Sparta; Guy Perry, Piney Creek; (Continued on Page Four)

### Farmers Should Report To Board

The local selective service board has requested that all farmers in Alleghany county between the ages of 18 and 38 who have not turned in a farm report for the year 1945 must do so within the next ten days, or they will be classified in 1-A and sent for examination. Mrs. Mena Phipps, clerk, announced this week.

The board has asked that the farmers co-operate with them in making this report immediately. Mrs. Phipps added. The forms can be obtained at the local board office here.

## Nation Facing Another Cut In Food Supplies This Year

Washington — Civilians must expect a 25 per cent cut in their canned food and vegetable supply within the next 12 months, War Food administration officials disclosed this week.

The prospective slash from the 1944-45 allocation is based on these facts:

1. Stocks on June 1 were smaller than a year ago.

2. Civilians will get a smaller share of produce canned from the 1945 production.

Stocks of commercially canned fruits, which must last until the new pack is available, will continue slightly below last year's very short supply. On June 1 the quantity of canned vegetables, except baby food and soups, was only half the civilian supply on the same date last year.

Civilians will be allocated only about 58,000,000 cases compared with 92,000,000 from the 1944-45 pack.

OPA Administrator Chester M. Bowles said food price and rationing controls can be lifted quickly after the Japanese war is won. He expected sugar, however, explaining that sugar is expected to become scarcer. He said gasoline rationing would end with the end of the war.

The proposed civilian fruit allocation does not include citrus fruits and juices. The citrus canning year does not begin until Nov. 1. A division of supplies has not yet been made. The present supply is a little lower than a year ago.

A WFA survey of canned goods stocks in 225 trading areas was in almost direct contradiction of a report made public by Sen. Elmer Thomas (D-Okla.) earlier this week.