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## Many New Buildings Planned For Sparta

### Veterans To Get Preference For Farm Machinery

#### AAA Chairman Announces Rules For Securing New Machinery

Veterans of this war are given preference in the purchase of new farm machinery, C. G. Collins, chairman Alleghany county AAA committee, said here today.

War Food Order No. 135, effective June 25, provides this special opportunity for veterans.

Under this order, Collins said, veterans who can show both the need for and the inability to obtain farm machinery to establish themselves in farming may obtain preference certificates that require dealers to give priority to their needs.

"Dealers are required to honor these certificates notwithstanding any prior commitments or contracts for sale other than those carrying War Production Board ratings," Collins said. "The only orders carrying such ratings are for the military," he continued, "or in rare cases, farmers faced with emergency situations."

In explaining the order further, Collins stated that, "a veteran using a preference certificate must be able and willing to meet the dealer's regularly established price and terms of sale or payment. In case a dealer receives more than one veteran's certificate for the same piece of equipment he is required to honor the certificates in the order of their receipt."

### Dean Edwards, 23, Dies In Service

#### Son Of Former Alleghany Residents Dies Suddenly In Missouri Hospital

Funeral service for Dean Edwards, 23, MAM 3-C, of the U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Edwards, of Downingtown, Pa., was held on Sunday, July 8, at the Eagle Baptist church there with the Rev. Mr. Falkenburg and Eld. F. E. Thompson in charge. Interment followed in the church cemetery where a full military burial was carried out.

Young Edwards, who had been in the navy for more than two years died suddenly on July 3 at a naval hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, where he was stationed. His death was the result of reaction to anesthetic, which he had been given for a tonsil operation.

In addition to his parents, who formerly lived in this county the following brothers and sisters survive: 2nd. Lt. R. V. Edwards, of Chanute, Ill.; Mrs. Kenneth J. Wade, recently released from the Army Nurse Corps after serving several months in England; Donald Edwards, of the U. S. Navy, in California; Marion, Milton, Sue, Jean, Dorothy, Billy and Barbara, all of the home.

His maternal grandmother, Mrs. Van W. Reeves, of Sparta, also survives in addition to his paternal grandfather, Rufus C. Edwards, also of Sparta.

Those from here attending the funeral included: Mrs. Wayne Waddell, Mrs. George Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Leff Joines, Mrs. Lon M. Reeves, Miss Nancy Waddell, Jack Edwards and Miss Emoryetta Reeves.

### C. of C. To Meet Here Fri. Night

The Chamber of Commerce will hold the July meeting on Friday night at the community building when Granville Liles, Parkway ranger, will show the club technicolor pictures of scenes along the Blue Ridge Parkway from Virginia to Asheville.

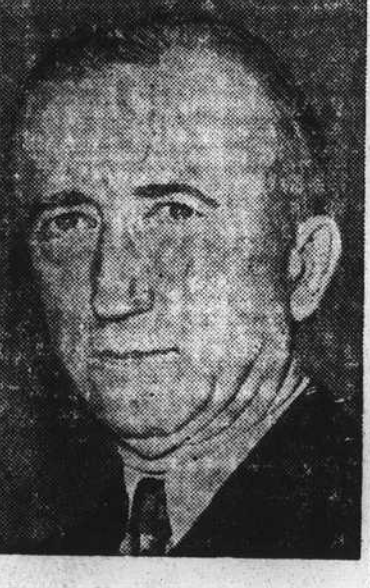
Mr. Liles has previously shown the pictures to various groups and much enthusiasm has been shown.

In addition to the showing of the pictures, a number of business matters will be taken up, President R. F. Crouse announced. All members are urged to be present for the meeting.

Dinner will be served by the Sparta Woman's Club.

## Americans Meeting Little Resistance In Tokyo Bombings

### WITH PRESIDENT



James F. Byrnes, newly appointed Secretary of State, who is with President Truman now enroute to the Big Three Conference.

### President Is On Way To Europe For Big 3 Parley

#### Is Accompanied By Secretary Of State, James F. Byrnes

President Truman was in the mid-Atlantic yesterday aboard a veteran cruiser bound for a Northern European port where he will disembark and fly to Potsdam, Berlin suburb, for the Big Three conference which begins there next week.

The chief executive, accompanied by Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, Admiral William D. Leahy, presidential chief of staff, and a small corps of attaches, was four days out of Newport News, Va., where on July 6, he began a trip that will carry him more than 10,000 miles.

Because of security considerations no advance announcement of the date of Mr. Truman's arrival can be made, according to White House Press Secretary Charles G. Ross who also is accompanying the president.

### WILL PREACH HERE

Rev. F. G. Walker, of Chesnee, S. C., will preach at the Sparta Baptist church on Sunday at 11 o'clock, it was announced this week. Everyone is urged to attend both the church service and Sunday School.

### By-Passed Wake Island Not Forgotten



When the Allies by-passed Wake Island, they had no intention of leaving this group of islands in the hands of the Japanese. Recent reports indicate that Allied activity is again headed toward Wake and adjoining islands as shown on map above.

### 1,000 Carrier Planes Destroy And Damage 152 Jap Planes On Ground

The Japanese air force refused to put up anything resembling a real fight over Tokyo Tuesday as more than 1,000 carrier planes of the massive U. S. third fleet destroyed or damaged 152 enemy planes on the ground and shot down two snoopers near the fleet, fragmentary reports disclosed.

Whether Admiral William F. (Bull) Halsey's world's largest task force stuck around for another strike was not made clear but even first preliminary accounts left no doubt that the enemy air force assigned to defend the homeland was in hiding.

It obviously has been driven there by a week of strikes by Iwo-jima army Mustangs, scores of which destroyed or damaged 19 enemy planes at Honshu's port city of Kobe while the carrier Hellcats, Helldivers and Avengers were roaming the Kanto plains around Tokyo to the northeast looking for targets.

Only one of the 19 was bagged in the air by the Mustangs and the first reports of the powerful carrier plane blow at Tokyo did not so much as list a single enemy interceptor shot down.

The air opposition to Vice Adm. John S. McCain's carrier raiders was so weak during the first hours that undoubtedly they returned in repeated strikes to search for camouflaged aircraft and enemy hiding places. What they found remains to be told.

### Jas. Paul Allen Kills Self Friday

#### Funeral Service Held Sunday At Home Near Peden; Burial In N. Wilkesboro

James Paul Allen, 36, died instantly at his home near Peden last Friday night when he shot himself through the head with a .32 revolver. He had been in ill health since 1927 and was reported to be particularly depressed for several days before his death.

Allen had made his home with his parents throughout his life. He was not married.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Fletcher Allen, of Peden, he is survived by his parents, one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Templeton and one brother, George L. Allen.

Funeral service was conducted Sunday at the home with the Rev. Worth Sweet in charge and burial followed in the Greenwood cemetery in North Wilkesboro.

### Army Is Busy Pushing Japanese Out Of Pacific



An 82nd CWA mortar crew cleaning out a nest of Japanese on Luzon Island. (Official U. S. Signal Corps Photo)

### S-Sgt. Osborne Buried In Foy, Belgium In Feb.

#### Son Of Mr. And Mrs. A. M. Osborne Killed In Action In Germany

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Osborne, of Stratford, recently received additional news of the death of their son, S-Sgt. Sam W. Osborne, who was killed in action on February 9 during the Allied advance near Roth, Germany.

"On that particular day," Capt. Alphonse Staskewicz, company commander, writes, "S-Sgt. Osborne led his squad in an attack on the Siegfried Line. He was doing splendidly in the job of

### Church To Have An Auction Sale

The Young Woman's Circle of the Sparta Methodist church will sponsor an auction sale on the courthouse lawn on Saturday, July 21 at 3:30 p. m., when various articles will be sold to the highest bidder.

Among the articles to be offered for sale are women's, men's and children's clothing, household and kitchen furnishings and other miscellaneous articles.

It was announced that two cakes will be given free. For further details, people have been asked to contact either Bell's, Smithey's or Jay Hardin's stores.

The public is invited to attend this sale at which many valuable articles are to be put up at auction.

### Blain To Preach Here On Sunday

Rev. Cary R. Blain, D. D., will preach at the Carson Memorial Presbyterian church here on Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock, it was announced this week.

Dr. Blain's home is in Waccamaw and he comes highly recommended to Alleghany county. A most cordial invitation has been extended to everyone to hear Dr. Blain.

### Rationing Guide

- MEATS AND FATS**  
Book Four red stamps K2 through X2 good through July 31; Q2 through U2 good through Aug. 31; V2 through Z2 good through Sept. 30; A1 through E1 good through Oct. 31.
- PROCESSED FOODS**  
Book Four blue stamps T2 through Z2 good through July 31; Y2, Z2 and A1 through C1 good through Aug. 31; D1 through H1 good through Sept. 30; J1 through N1 good through Oct. 31.
- SUGAR**  
Book Four stamp 36 good through Aug. 31 for five pounds. 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**  
16-A coupons good for six gallons each through Sept. 21. B-7, B-8 C-7 and C-8 coupons good for five gallons each.

### County Schools Will Open On August 20; Some Teaching Positions Yet To Be Filled

#### Deferments For Men Age 30 To 37 Are Explained

Revised selective service regulations provide that men in the 30-37 age group who are eligible to a deferred classification, 2-A, 2-B or 2-C, shall be continued in this classification for an indefinite period of time, Mrs. Mexa Phipps, clerk, said today.

"Therefore all class cards for these registrants will show in the space provided for the termination date the word 'indefinite'" she continued.

Registrants 18-37 who have been rejected will also be continued in 2-A (F), 2-B (F) and 2-C (F) for an indefinite period, (Continued on Page Four)

### Study Course At Baptist Church

Miss Lona Kemp Night, of Madison and Raleigh, state field representative of the State Women's Missionary Union, has conducted a study course at the Sparta Baptist church each evening this week, Monday through tonight.

The title of the book taught by Miss Night is "The Woman's Missionary Union at Work," by Miss Wilma Bucy.

Miss Night met with the R. A.'s and G. A.'s and Sunbeams in the afternoon each day this week. She addressed the Laurel Springs Baptist church last Sunday, under the auspices of the W. M. S.

### Plans Completed For Flower Exhibit To Be Held July 20

Plans are now being completed for the exhibit of flower arrangements to be shown here on July 20 at 3:30 p. m. at the community building under the sponsorship of the Sparta Woman's Club.

The exhibit is open to everyone, both club members and anyone interested in flower arrangements. Everyone is urged to bring an entry for the exhibit.

Classes for the exhibit will consist of arrangements for the dining room, living room, porch or sun porch, arrangements for children, arrangements for special occasions such as Christmas, Thanksgiving, a bride's table or a patriotic table; arrangements of seed pods, grasses, ferns, mosses, potted plants and wild flowers in addition to individual specimens, Mrs. A. V. Choate, president of the club, announced.

It was explained that any person bringing an exhibit who wished to make it more attractive by

### Some Underway; Others Awaiting Vital Materials

#### Several Excavations Are Made; Other Buildings Are Under Construction

An extensive building program is now underway in Sparta, with property owners waiting only for building permits and materials, before they start actual construction. Excavation of several building sites has already been made.

A garage building 60 feet by 75 feet and owned by Wade Choate, who has secured the Ford Motor dealership here, is underway just back of Farmer's Hardware and across the street from the community building on Highway 18. The building will be made of brick and cinder block.

On the lot between the Sparta Post Office and Smithey's Store on Main Street, property has been excavated for building by owners Clinton Halsey, who plans a building 26 feet by 90 feet and Dr. N. D. Fox and W. K. Sprinkle who have a building space of 40 by 100 feet.

Also on Main Street, a building owned by Clennel Richardson and C. R. Roe between the Western Auto Associate Store and Sparta Garage.

Excavation has also been made for a warehouse, 62 by 75 feet behind the Farmer's Hardware and Implement Co. The store will also be remodeled, Amos Wagoner, owner and manager, announced.

In addition, a 30 by 50 foot building back of the Western Auto (Continued on Page Four)

### 4 Youths Escape Injury In Wreck

#### Billings Youth Charged With Speeding And Wreckless Driving

Four Alleghany youths escaped serious injury here last Thursday when the truck in which they were riding crashed into the Little River bridge as it came toward Sparta.

William Billings, 17, Casey Jones, 18; Dane Dowell, 17, and Presley Caudill, 16, received minor cuts and bruises and were treated at the office of a local doctor. Dowell is reported to have a painful back injury, while Caudill, who was riding on the fender of the truck, was badly bruised.

The truck, loaded with milk cans, crashed into the bridge on the left side of the road, officers reported.

Billings, who was driving the truck which belongs to his father, C. L. Billings, has been charged with speeding and wreckless driving with this case to be heard here on Wednesday, July 18 at 2 o'clock.

### DRAFT BOARD OFFICE TO CLOSE SAT. AFTERNOONS

Mrs. Mexa Phipps, chief clerk of the Alleghany county selective service board, announced this week that the office would be open only until 12:30 p. m. on Saturdays. She pointed out that the regular hours of 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. would be observed during the week.

### Tire Regulation Explained By OPA

In regard to tire applications, Mrs. Robert Fleetwood, clerk of the Alleghany ration board, announced this week that after either one or two tires had been issued from an application for three tires, that application automatically became valid and if a second or third tire was desired a new application must be made.

A new ruling of the board the action was taken in order that persons who have applied for three tires and received only one or two, would not consider their application for a third tire still before the board.

Mrs. Fleetwood stated that the August tire quota was approximately the same as the June and July quotas.