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## Curb Market Has Big Increase In Sales This Year

More Than Double Receipts Of First Month Last Year; To Employ Secretary

The cooperative curb market at Roaring Gap has met with outstanding success during the first month of operation with receipts more than doubling those of last year, Mrs. Isom Wagoner, home agent, announced.

The inclusive report for the nine selling days during the first month shows that sales reached a total of \$2,584.01 against \$1,292.88 last year. From 21 to 24 women participate in the marketing on Tuesdays with around 34 on Fridays. Ten 4-H club girls also participate in the market.

The market includes the sale of fresh vegetables, meats, cookies and cakes, canned foods, eggs, butter, cheese, cream, flowers and handicraft.

Mrs. Wagoner pointed out that a full time secretary for the market will be hired in the immediate future. The growth of the curb market project warrants the services of such a person, she said.

"I would like for the people of Alleghany county to visit and observe the curb market any time," Mrs. Wagoner urged. "A number of people out of the county and even out of the state have visited the curb market and were impressed with the products home demonstration club women of the county offer for sale," she said.

"It's the finest thing that ever happened to the mountains," one Roaring Gap colonist remarked.

Mrs. Wagoner pointed out that there is every opportunity for the continued growth of the market. There are now 430 home demonstration club members in the county, representing 18 clubs, 15 of which participate in the market.

## New Clerk Named For Health Dept.

Mrs. Ledbetter, Health Nurse, Notes Changes In Typhoid Clinic

Mrs. Frank M. Ledbetter, county health nurse, announced this week that Miss Faye Richardson, of Whitehead, began her duties as typist clerk in the health department here, yesterday.

Miss Richardson, a graduate of Sparta high school, attended Draughton's Business College, at Winston-Salem. She is the daughter of Mrs. Ethelyn Richardson, of Whitehead.

Mrs. Ledbetter also pointed out some slight changes in the typhoid clinic which was announced last week. The clinic will be held at Elk Creek at 10:30 a. m. instead of 9:00 a. m. At Cherry Lane, Mrs. Ledbetter will meet those who wish to be vaccinated at the post office instead of the school, as was originally scheduled and at Ennice she will be at Spurline's Store instead of the post office.

Dr. R. E. Fox, of the State Board of Health, was a visitor in the health department here, on Tuesday.

## Russia Declares War On Japan; Conflict May Be Ended Soon

FAMED IRISH AUTHOR



George Bernard Shaw, the famed Irish playwright, author and wit, shown in the garden of his home at Ayot St. Lawrence, Hert-Foreshire, England, on his 89th birthday.

## Dr. Caudill To Deliver Sermon Here August 19

Pastor of First Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn., To Visit Sparta

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist church of Memphis, Tennessee, will deliver a sermon at the Sparta Baptist church here on Sunday, August 19 at 11:00 a. m., it was announced this week.

Born in western North Carolina, Wilkes county, the son of Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Caudill, his father, grandfather and great-grandfather were also Baptist ministers. Graduated from Wake Forest College in 1929, Dr. Caudill later attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, receiving from that institution both the Th. M. and the Ph.D. degrees.

Dr. Caudill came to the First. (Continued on Page 4)

## Sparta Loses To Wilkesboro Team

With Frank Atwood hurling the ball into the mitt of Claude Moxley, Sparta's star catcher, the Sparta team battled furiously only to lose by a score of 8-9 in the last inning against the North Wilkesboro team there last Sunday afternoon.

Both teams dodged back and forth with first one and then the other leading in the 11-inning game. Sparta will meet North Wilkesboro again here on Sunday afternoon, August 19.

No game has been definitely scheduled for this Sunday, manager Carl Douglas said, but Sparta is expected to meet some team on the diamond here.

## Stalin's Announcement Followed On Heels Of Close Of Big Three Meeting

Russia's official declaration of war against Japan, following America's initial use of the powerful atomic bomb, led news commentators and others to predict the war with Japan much nearer an end than was prophesied a short time ago.

The announcement of Russia's stand was first expected to be made during the Big Three conference, which has just ended. And following on the heels of this momentous meeting, it came as a small surprise to leaders. The official announcement was made yesterday by Premier Stalin.

In addition to the Atomic bomb, all other war efforts in the Pacific have been going ahead this week with the American forces. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz announced yesterday that more B-29s are in readiness to follow the "Enola" (Continued on Page 4)

## Funeral Service Held Sunday For J. Frank Reeves

Well Known Ashe County Man Died Friday Following Serious Illness

West Jefferson. —(Special)—Funeral service for J. Frank Reeves, 77, well-known Ashe county man, was held at the Cranberry Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon when a large crowd of friends and relatives were present. Eld. Ed Davis was in charge of the service and burial followed in the church cemetery. Nephews of the deceased served as pallbearers.

Mr. Reeves died Friday evening around 11:00 o'clock in the Davis Hospital in Statesville, after a period of critical illness. He had been in declining health for some months.

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McMillan Reeves, the deceased was a native of this county and made his home at Laurel Springs for many years, where he was actively engaged in farming until he retired a few years ago and came to West Jefferson to make his home with a daughter, Mrs. H. D. Quessenberry. His wife died some years ago.

In addition to Mrs. Quessenberry, other sons and daughters who survive are: John F. Reeves, Mrs. B. B. Graybeal, West Jefferson; Earl Reeves, Aberdeen, Maryland; George Reeves, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. L. R. Edens, Roland; Mrs. J. H. Stafford, Bishopville, S. C.; Mrs. J. L. Kiser, Welch Cove. Three brothers, W. B. Reeves, West Jefferson; M. E. Reeves, Laurel Springs; Rev. George M. Reeves, Spartanburg, S. C., and one sister, Mrs. J. N. Tulbert, West Jefferson, also survive.

## Governor Sends Fighting Men On "Wood for War" Mission



Gov. R. Gregg Cherry dispatches Army's "Wood for War" veterans on 1,500-mile mission through North Carolina's pulpwood and lumber producing areas. The motorcade, featuring six combat veterans, seeks to increase vitally needed wood production. Left to right, above, Lt. Joseph M. Mitchell, Gov. Cherry, S.-Sgt. F. W. Crocker and S.-Sgt. W. O. Heydt.

## State Highway Commissioner To Speak Here Fri.

Smith Will Be Guest Of The Chamber Of Commerce At Meeting Here

Raymond Smith, of Mt. Airy, member of the State Highway Commission for this district, will address the Chamber of Commerce here on Friday night at 8:30 o'clock at the community building.

Mr. Smith, prominent member of the highway department, is expected to have an interesting message for the group. He was appointed this year by Governor Cherry to replace B. V. Guire, of Lenoir.

In addition to the main address of the evening, several business matters of importance will be discussed at the meeting. All members are urged to attend. The dinner will be served by the Sparta Woman's Club.

## Osborne Funeral To Be Held Today

Prominent Laurel Springs Merchant Dies At Home On Tuesday

Funeral service for John Everette Osborne, 63, well-known merchant of Laurel Springs, will be conducted this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Laurel Springs Baptist church with Rev. Brice Barton and Rev. Willie Ham officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Mr. Richardson died at this home at Laurel Springs on Tuesday, following a serious illness of about three months. For a number of years he had been a prominent merchant there. He was a member of the Laurel Springs Baptist church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Matilda Osborne and one son, T. C. Osborne, both of Laurel Springs.

## Veterans May Get Gasoline

Up to 30 gallons will be provided discharged servicemen for use in attending to personal affairs and making adjustments to civilian life, OPA has announced.

Issuance of the ration is restricted to enlisted men who had been separated from active service no longer than 30 days on August 3 or thereafter before making application and is the largest ration possible under present allocations made available for civilians.

Chairman Glen D. Richardson, of Alleghany war price and rationing board said that this program would not affect the one already in practice of allowing special gasoline rations to servicemen having more than a three-day leave.

## Alleghany Schools To Open August 27; Teachers Named By Board At Meeting Monday

## School For Bus Drivers Will Be Held August 13

Cooperation Of Principals Is Sought; Prospective Drivers Urged To Attend

A bus drivers' school will be conducted here on Monday, August 13 when a member of the State Transportation Division will examine drivers and give licenses for the coming school year, Supt. Clyde Fields announced yesterday.

All persons who plan to drive school buses or to substitute drivers during the year and who have not passed the bus driver's test previously, are urged to be present to take the examination, she pointed out.

Special attention was called to this school due to the fact that it is difficult to secure an examiner at any time during the year and therefore every interested person is urged to be present on Monday.

The bus drivers for this school year have not been announced but are expected to be chosen at an early date. (Continued on Page Four)

## BAPTIST CIRCLES TO MEET NEXT THURSDAY

Both the Lucille Ford Circle and Circle No. One of the Sparta Baptist WMU will meet with Mrs. Ruth J. Choate at her home on Thursday night, August 16.

Mrs. Gene Irwin will be joint hostess at the circle meetings. All members of both circles are cordially invited to attend.

## Atomic Bomb Blast Destroys Japanese City Of Hiroshima

Guam — The first atomic bomb to fall on Japan went down like a clap of thunder, its tremendous impact equivalent to a raid of 2,000 B-29's and hit Hiroshima which disappeared in a cloud of boiling smoke and flame according to the men of the Super Fortress crew who unleashed nature's harnessed fury on the helpless Japanese Empire.

Each man in the crew exclaimed as one: "My God!" What had been Hiroshima going about its business at 9:15 a. m., in the sunshine went up in a mountain of black, dust-filled smoke at the base, towering off into a plume of white at the height of 40,000 feet.

Here at Guam yesterday morning reporting the results to Gen. Carl A. Spaatz and Gen. Curtis E. LeMay were Pilot Paul W. Tibbets Jr., Miami, Fla., and Navy Capt. William Parsons, Santa Fe, N. M., who went as "weapons repairer" to see that the bomb worked.

## Opening Date Delayed Due To Agricultural Reasons; One Vacancy Exists

The opening of all Alleghany schools was postponed until August 27 at a meeting of the County Board of Education here on Monday, Supt. Clyde Fields announced this week. Schools were originally scheduled to open on August 20.

The Board of Education gave as the reason for the week's delay, the fact that it would give the larger boys one more week to help on the farms since haying and other agricultural work has been delayed by excessive rains throughout the county.

The board also approved the list of teachers submitted by the various boards from each district in the county at the meeting on Monday. Teachers elected. (Continued on Page Four)

## Box Supper To Be Held August 18

A box supper will be held at the Sparta courthouse here on Saturday night, August 18 at 8:30 o'clock, it was announced this week.

The box supper will be sponsored by the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Sparta Methodist church. In charge of arrangements are Mrs. Robert Fleetwood and Mrs. Mexa Phipps.

In addition to the sale of boxes, cake walks and a cake for the prettiest girl will be featured. String music will be furnished. The public is cordially invited and all ladies are urged to bring a box.

## County Teachers' Meeting Called For Tues., Aug. 14

Members Of State Board Of Education To Speak To Group

A country-wide teacher's meeting in the interest of working out definite plans for improvement of instructions, will be held here on Tuesday, August 14, Supt. Clyde Fields announced this week.

Mrs. Hattie Parrot, a member of the Division of Instructional service of the State Board of Education and Charles Spencer, of the Division of Health and Physical Education of the State Board of Education will be present and will speak to the teachers. Miss Fields announced.

All teachers in the county are urged to be present. Miss Fields announced that it is possible that the meeting will last throughout the day.

The meeting will be held in either the community building or the library of the high school here, it was announced. Teachers have been asked to note the meeting place when they arrive in town.

## Pfc. Richardson Gets Discharge

Barrett Soldier Has 101 Points; Wears Seven Battle Stars

"The town has really grown since I've been away; I even went into the drug store to buy a bus ticket only to discover that we had a new station," observed Pfc. Bert Richardson, 24, one of Alleghany's returned veterans and one among the first to be discharged by the point system.

Pfc. Richardson has been in service for the past three years, 28 months and 22 days of which he spent overseas, seeing action in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. He wears the Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Anzio beachhead, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, ETO campaign ribbon, the unit Presidential citation and seven battle stars. The young Alleghany soldier was flown by plane to Miami, Fla., and discharged at Ft. Bragg with 101 points.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Richardson, of Barrett, Pfc. Richardson graduated from Sparta high school in '39 and before entering the service was employed by the National Park Service. He plans to enter State College soon, where he will study forestry.

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS BEING REPAIRED

All school buildings throughout the county are now undergoing repair for the opening of school on August 27, Supt. Clyde Fields pointed out this week.

The larger schools, as well as most of the smaller ones, have been repainted and various repairs have been made. Many of the repairs were made in response to the suggestions made by the district sanitarian.

## Bonds Over America



FORT RALEIGH

Seven English expeditions invaded Roanoke Island between 1584 and 1591. Fort Raleigh blockhouse marks the site of the first English settlement in America. Amadas and Barlowe took possession of the continent for Sir Walter Raleigh there July 8, 1585. It's wide open shore now, too. But for the effective patrolling of U. S. and marines, planes and ships—and a Coast Guard shore patrol—enemy landing parties could seize the beach in this war. War Bonds help supply those patrols with dependable weapons. U. S. Treasury Department

## WAR BONDS In Action

Official U. S. Navy Photo. Old Glory serves. Philippine Americans use flag to identify themselves when seeking food and munitions on Navy L.C. War Bonds helped buy the supplies they received. U. S. Treasury Department