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Members Of Draft Board Are Given Special Medals

Members Of Present Board Are George Royal, Carl Douglas, J. A. Osborne

Three Alleghany county men, Jones H. Waddell, Carl Douglas and Charles R. Roe, draft board officials, received recognition yesterday when Governor R. Gregg Cherry and Selective Service Director, General Van B. Metts, awarded them certificates of merit and medals for service in an impressive ceremony held in the courthouse in Winston-Salem.

They were cited along with other draft board officials that have served two years or more. The Selective Service Medal, authorized by Congress, is an award to members of draft boards that have served two years or more.

The medal has a bronze finish and on its face is the selective service system seal and the inscription, "World War II." The reverse side is inscribed: "Awarded in the name of the Congress of the United States for faithful and loyal service." A ribbon bar and a lapel pin accompany each medal.

The national ceremony for the 54 state and territorial representatives was held in Washington on Monday.

Members of the original Alleghany county board were: G. T. Crutchfield, Jones H. Waddell and George Cheek.

The present chairman is George Royal, with J. A. Osborne and Carl Douglas serving with him. Carl Douglas has been a member of the board for the past three years, the longest record of any member.

Other past members of the (Continued on Page 4)

Housing Project Is Now Underway

Johnson Wyatt Starts Real Estate Development In South Sparta

A real estate development is now underway in south Sparta, between the property of Alton Thompson and Duke Bledsoe, it was learned this week.

Owned and developed by Johnson Wyatt, of Sparta, the project will include four asphalt shingle 5-room houses involving around \$5,500.00. The houses will not be for sale, only for rent, it was disclosed.

Containing all modern conveniences including water, bath and electricity, all four houses will be erected on the same plan. They are expected to be ready for occupancy by September.

Marvin Wilson, Alleghany county man, has the contract for the buildings, it was announced.

Service Station Will Open Feb. 1

The Firestone Service station in west Sparta will open on Friday, February 1, under the management of Frank Osborne, it was announced here this week.

Assisting Mr. Osborne will be Wiley Sturgill as service man and John Choate, colored, washing and polishing.

The service station is owned by Miles-Waddell-Thompson Firestone Store here and will specialize in a complete line of auto accessories.

A special offer is being made for the first two days of business and everyone is invited to visit the new station.

Burley Sales At Boone Still Good

Leaf sales at the Mountain Burley Tobacco warehouses in Boone continue good. And officials announced this week that the warehouses would stay open for sales as long as the amount of tobacco was sufficient to demand it.

Roscoe Coleman, proprietor, announced on Monday that the sales so far this season had passed the 4,225,000 poundage mark. "We are proud of the fact that we have served so many farmers of this area," he added, and extended an invitation to all farmers still having tobacco to sell the remainder with him.

Join The March Of Dimes That They May Walk Again



Shelia Nunan, six-year-old infantile paralysis patient at Children's Hospital, Boston, concentrates on exercises to build up muscles after an attack of the disease. (At left.) Shelia tries hip flexion exercises under the direction of physical therapist Deborah Kinsman. (At right.) she is shown trying to master extension exercise.

Contributions to the March of Dimes can help thousands of others like Shelia back to active health.

Thousands Of Alleghany People Reached Through Services Of Health Dept.

More Than 6,000 Immunizations Given Children For Communicable Diseases

Thousands of Alleghany people were directly benefitted through services of the health department last year and probably an even greater number indirectly kept healthier, because of the control of diseases.

A report just completed shows an imposing array of figures relative to the activities of the department. And while the figures only tell a minor part of the story of the work connected with the department, these figures are revealed here so that the public may know something of the value of the department to the county.

Perhaps first in importance is the work done toward communicable disease control. The following services were rendered: There were ten admissions to service for four consultations with physicians. Five field visits were made to diphtheria, scarlet fever and spinal meningitis cases. A total of 1,348 were immunized to communicable diseases; 404 to smallpox; 149 to diphtheria, 723 to typhoid fever; and 72 to whooping cough and diphtheria combined.

Veneral disease control included two admissions to service and one field visit to reported cases. In maternity service, two cases were admitted to antepartum medical service; three cases admitted to antepartum nursing service and four office nursing visits were made by antepartum cases.

Infant and pre-school hygiene included two individuals admitted to medical service; one individual admitted to nursing service; one visit to medical conferences; one field nursing visit; one office nursing visit; one individual (Continued on Page 8)

President Seeks Higher Pay; Slash In Debt; End Of Strikes

Washington. — President Truman submitted to Congress Monday a program calling for higher pay, lower prices and unchanged taxes, backed by a budget forecasting the first cut in the national debt since 1930.

The President informed congress in a message that within the next 18 months \$7,000,000,000 will be sliced from the \$278,000,000,000 debt, even though the budget won't be balanced.

The outlook for business is good, he said. But he warned of "pitfalls" ahead.

He asked Congress to help sidestep them, to avert "national disaster" by continuing price controls.

Mr. Truman voiced "concern" over inflationary pressures, and over major strikes which he said might apply a "heavy brake" to reconversion.

He cautioned that deaf ears

Sanitarian Is Active In Work For Improvement

Wade E. Eller, District Sanitarian, Does Constructive Work In County

A report for 1945, just submitted to the county health department, reveals that Wade E. Eller, district sanitarian, has been active in the improvement of health conditions of public places as well as in other work related to sanitation and health of the public in the tri-county health district including Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga.

Pop, dairies, schools and other public places came in for their share of attention and observation. The report shows that there was a total of 183 visits made to schools not including lunchroom investigations.

One hundred four foodhandling establishments were registered for supervision. A total of 637 field visits were made to foodhandling establishments; 32 dairy farms registered for supervision. (Continued on Page Five)

ATTEND AUTOMOBILE SHOW AT GREENSBORO

Ben G. Reeves, new Dodge-Plymouth dealer for Sparta, attended the showing of the new Dodge in Greensboro this week. He was accompanied by Duke Bledsoe, former Ford dealer for this county.

Mr. Reeves purchased the Ford Motor Company garage building from Mr. Bledsoe last March. He plans to complete a number of repairs on the building before opening his garage there, it is understood.

Change Made In Organization Of Health District

Ex-officio Members Named By Dr. Carl V. Reynolds; Meeting Held

According to requirements provided in general statutes of North Carolina, the following ex-officio members were named on the tri-county board of health: Miss Clyde Fields, superintendent of county schools of Alleghany; W. M. Winkler, chairman of the board of county commissioners, Watauga; L. P. Colvard, mayor of Jefferson.

At the meeting of the group, held recently, the following members were named for their respective terms: Wade E. Vannoy, Ashe county, four year term; Dr. C. A. Thompson, Alleghany county, three year term; C. P. Mock, Watauga county, two year term; Dr. W. M. Matheson, Watauga county, one year term.

Fri. And Sat. Set For Tax Listing

Friday and Saturday, January 25 and 26, have been set as the last date for listing taxes in Gap Civil township this year. G. Glenn Nichols, tax supervisor, announced yesterday.

Mr. Nichols pointed out that a number of people had not yet listed their taxes and reminded them that a penalty will be imposed on all those who fail to list.

Mrs. Roupe, 85, Buried On Tues.

Former Alleghany Resident Succumbs In Maryland After Brief Illness

Funeral service for Mrs. Matilda Roupe, 85, who died at her home in Forest Hill, Md., last Friday, was held Tuesday at ten o'clock at the New River Baptist church. Burial followed in the New River cemetery with the Revs. Herbert Caldwell, Paul Phipps and Cecil Sturgill, officiating.

Pallbearers were John, Guy, William, Ceber, Robert and Paul Pugh.

Those acting as flower bearers were: Misses Violet Osborne, Maxine Roupe, Wilma Clarke, Leva Vannoy and Mrs. Jessie Meeks.

Survivors are: Mrs. Ambrose F. Pugh, Forest Hill, Md.; Mrs. Walter W. Vannoy, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Victoria Wyatt, Laurel Springs; Mrs. Bettie Osborne, Baltimore, Md.; V. Frell Roupe, Maben, W. Va.; Miss Beulah Roupe, Forest Hill, Md.; Mrs. Maggie Freeman, Spray; and Mrs. Ruth Clarke, Spray.

Those attending the funeral from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. William Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Reid Clarke, Russell Clarke and Miss Wilma Clarke, of Spray; Mrs. Lynn Meeks, Schoolfield, Va.; Miss Leva May Vannoy, (Continued on Page 8)

President's Ball Will Be Held Here Wed. At Community Bldg.

Highlighting coming events for the benefit of the Polio Fund Drive in Alleghany will be the President's Ball, which will be held at the community building here on Wednesday night, January 20, with a ten-piece orchestra from Boone engaged for the occasion, it was announced yesterday.

The ball will be under the sponsorship of the Woman's Club and is expected to attract a number of out-of-town guests as well as local couples. Dancing will begin at nine o'clock and end at twelve, it was pointed out.

The first formal dance to be held in Sparta since the war began, much enthusiasm is being shown and a record crowd is expected, officials stated.

In addition to the President's Ball, a square dance will be held on Saturday night under the sponsorship of the American Legion or the benefit of the drive. Robert Nichols, commander of the Alleghany Post, extended a cordial invitation to everyone to attend the dance and contribute to the fund for this worthy cause.

No report has been received from the schools, but it is understood that contributions are coming in and they are expected to raise the quota of \$100.00 assigned them, with no difficulty.

The Lions Club has not turned in an official report, but more than one-half their quota has been raised, it was pointed out. No report has been received from the Chamber of Commerce, but members are expected to raise the quota by January 31.

George Evans, 85, Buried Monday

Funeral service for George Evans, 85, was held Monday at the Whitehead Union Baptist church with the Rev. Walter Evans officiating, assisted by the Rev. Allen Evans and Eld. Charlie Wooten. Burial followed in the Joiner cemetery.

The aged man died on January 19 at the home of his nephew, Kenny Pruitt, of Sparta, following an illness of several months. He had spent his entire life in Alleghany county. The son of John and Emily Evans, he was married to Mary Osborne, who died several years ago.

Surviving are five children: Mrs. Maude Hanes, Mrs. Martha Alred and Mrs. Geneva Koski, all of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Laura Evans, of Sparta, and Mack Evans, of Whitehead.

5 Youths Enter Naval Service

A number of 17-year-old Alleghany youths have recently joined the U. S. Navy, and are now in "boot" camp at various naval bases.

Wade Irwin and Bill Edwards left this week for Raleigh, where they will be assigned to camp. While Burton Edwards, Paul Woodard and Raymond Adams are now stationed in San Diego, California.

The New Roosevelt Birthday Stamp



A new five-cent stamp in the Roosevelt memorial series, with an issue date of January 30, the 64th anniversary of the birth of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, has been released by the post office. The stamp is of special delivery size and printed in blue.

Alleghany County Is ...
Outstanding Livestock, Agriculture and Tourist Center,
With A Population of 8,341.

More Clothing Needed In Drive Now In Progress

Urge That Everyone Bring Bundles To Schools In County At Once

County-wide reports from the teachers reveal that a number of old clothes have been collected in the Victory Clothing collection, but that many more are needed, and everyone is urged to bring in a contribution at an early date. The drive will end on February 2.

Officials of the drive again pointed out the extreme need for clothing in the European countries, the Far East and the Philippines, adding that every person had some piece of wearing apparel or bedding, shoes or other type clothing that they could easily contribute.

Officials of the drive in Alleghany asked that the clothing be delivered to the various schools throughout the county and that it be packed in strong sacks and sewed ready to be shipped. It was also pointed out that it would be well to sew to the package a shipping tag containing the following address:

United National Clothing Collection, Inc., 100 Maiden Lane, New York, 7, N. Y.

The teachers throughout the county have been asked to bring all collections to the sheriff's office at the courthouse here and from there they will be directed to a room reserved for the clothing collection. It was especially urged that all clothing be well bundled before it was brought in to the schools.

Ira T. Johnston To Address Club

Other Entertainment Planned For Feb. Meeting Of The Chamber Of Commerce

Ira T. Johnston, prominent Jefferson attorney, will address the Sparta Chamber of Commerce at the February meeting on Friday, Feb. 8, it was announced this week.

Mr. Johnston, well-known throughout Alleghany county, will speak on "The Opportunities of a Chamber of Commerce for Service."

Additional entertainment is being planned, it was pointed out. The meal will be served by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church. It was urged that every member let them know by Tuesday, February 5, if they do not plan to attend or if they plan to have guests. Notices should be sent to Miss Emoryetta Reeves.

Crouse Accepts Extension Work

Roy H. Crouse, of Sparta, a former county agent of Ashe county, has accepted a position with the North Carolina State College Extension Service in Yancey, Mitchell and Avery counties, where he will serve as county agent-at-large in connection with horticulture work there, it was learned this week.

Mr. Crouse, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Crouse, of Sparta, is a graduate of State College, Raleigh. He served as county agent in Yancey county before coming to Alleghany where he served as dairy specialist for Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga counties before going to Ashe as county agent there.

Richardson Is Given Discharge

Arzie C. Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Richardson, of Sparta, and former Staff Sergeant in the United States Air Corps has been honorably discharged from service and has assumed the position as manager of the Firestone Store at Independence, Va. It was announced here.

An aerial gunner in the air corps, S-Sgt. Richardson spent nine months overseas, completing fifty missions. He wears the Air Medal, Oak Leaf Cluster, three battle stars and the Victory Medal. Before entering service he was a student at ASTC, Boone.

He is married to the former Miss Lucille Wingate, of Independence.