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School Needs Are Studied By County Officials Monday

Buildings And Sanitary Conditions Are To Be Improved To Meet Standards

The immediate needs of the Sparta school was the subject of a meeting of the county board of education, the county board of commissioners and an architect from the State Department of Education in the office of Supt. Clyde Fields here on Monday.

Since conditions in the elementary department of the Sparta school do not meet with either the educational for health requirements of the state, it is necessary for both the county board of education and the county commissioners to take immediate action in connection with these conditions, one official stated.

Officials also stated that an elementary building had long been needed at Sparta in order to meet the state requirements of health and education. Crowded conditions have existed there for several years.

The board of education announced that plans were being laid to get this work underway between now and early spring. It was pointed out that the Roe property was purchased late in 1945 by the board of education and that it would be used in this new program.

Other meetings will be held in a short time when preliminary plans for building will be submitted for consideration, it was announced.

Due to weather conditions, Mrs. Crede, of the schoolhouse planning committee in Raleigh, was unable to attend the meeting, it was understood.

Hunting Season Comes To Close

Only Raccoon And Opossum May Be Killed Until February 15

Alleghany people, along with others throughout the State, are reminded by Game and Fisheries Commissioner John Findlay, that the hunting season comes to a close today, January 31, for everything except opossum and raccoon. No extensions have been approved for any section of the State.

Raccoon and opossum may be killed until February 15.

New seasons and bag limits will be fixed by the State Board of Conservation and Development in July. Meanwhile, C. D. Kirkpatrick, chief of law enforcement for the division, has cautioned game protectors to be especially alert for violators.

Kirkpatrick said fox hunting with dogs will be permitted, except in counties where local laws prevent it, but that the use of guns will be restricted to the killing of predatory animals or unprotected birds.

He said that 815 persons were prosecuted during this season for game violations, most of them for hunting without a license or hunting with unplugged guns.

Findlay said that this year bear hunting was improved, and the deer season was as good as 1944 with local exceptions, but that quail and turkey had the worst season in ten years.

C. of C. To Meet Here Fri. Night

Ira T. Johnston, well-known Jefferson attorney, will address the Chamber of Commerce at the community building here Friday night, February 8, members were again reminded this week.

Mr. Johnston will speak on "The Opportunities of a Chamber of Commerce for Service."

Additional entertainment has been planned, it was announced. James I. Story, of West Jefferson, will render a number of piano selections and group singing will be held. The meal will be served by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church and it was urged that every member who does not plan to attend the meeting notify Miss Emory-etta Reeves not later than Tuesday afternoon.

Dale Evans Is Being Held For Patricide; Father's Rites Today

LEGION COMMANDER



Robert L. Nichols, veteran of World War II, was recently appointed commander of the Alleghany American Legion Post 98.

Sheep Growers Realize Good Returns Here

Statistics Show That Sheep Prove Profitable To Alleghany Farmers

By R. E. Black, County Agent

With the possibility of the price of burley tobacco and other cash crops declining, many farmers will be looking for a new source of income. I know of nothing that will pay greater dividends on the investment than a well-managed small flock of sheep.

At present, 250 farmers of Alleghany county own approximately 4000 sheep; this means that only 15% of our farmers own sheep. We have the pastures and an ideal climate for the production of sheep and a small flock could be run on practically every farm in the county and hardly miss what they would eat.

There are a number of advantages to sheep production. The farmers get an income from wool at the time there is nothing else to sell, then the lambs are sold before beef cattle, tobacco, and other cash crops are ready for market. There are a number of weeds sheep will consume that are not eaten by other kind of (Continued on Page 4)

Motorists Must Have New Tags

Highway Patrolman Jones today called attention to the fact that today is the last day automobiles may be operated with 1945 license tags. He pointed out that beginning tomorrow, February 1, motorists must display new 1946 tags, or suffer the penalty of the law for failure to do so.

Man Of War—And Man Of Peace



There is a striking contrast in these two photographs of Harold Pellow, Detroit. At the left is a photograph of him taken as he returned after two days of heavy beach fighting with the marines, during the battle for Eniwetok in the drive across the Pacific. At right, as he appears at his mechanics job in Detroit.

Young Evans Shoots Father, Millard F. Evans, With Shotgun, Monday

Dale Evans, 23-year-old Alleghany county resident, is being held in jail here on a charge of second degree murder, after allegedly fatally shooting his father, Monday afternoon.

Sheriff Jess Moxley said the son walked into his office shortly after the shooting occurred and surrendered. Sheriff Moxley said Evans told him he killed his father, Millard F. Evans, 65, when the elder man threatened to kill the younger Evans' wife, the former Miss Marie Andrews.

Evans informed the police official that he shot his father twice with a 12-gauge automatic shotgun, after he entered the house and found the elder Evans had cornered the girl in the kitchen and with his fist drawn, was threatening to kill her.

Mrs. Evans was the only witness to the shooting.

Sheriff Moxley said further that both charges hit the elder Evans in the left shoulder near the neck and ranged through the body, one coming out just above the right hip and the other lodged near the floating rib also on the right side.

When the sheriff arrived at the home, he said he found the body on the floor near a bed. The gun had been placed on a bed in an adjoining room. The elder Evans was still wearing his glasses and was lying with his face up.

Funeral services will be held today at 11 o'clock at Zion Primitive Baptist church with Elder C. G. Caudill in charge. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Evans is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dora Richardson Evans, who was visiting her daughter, in Maryland, at the time of her husband's death.

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Wildlife Club To Meet On Friday

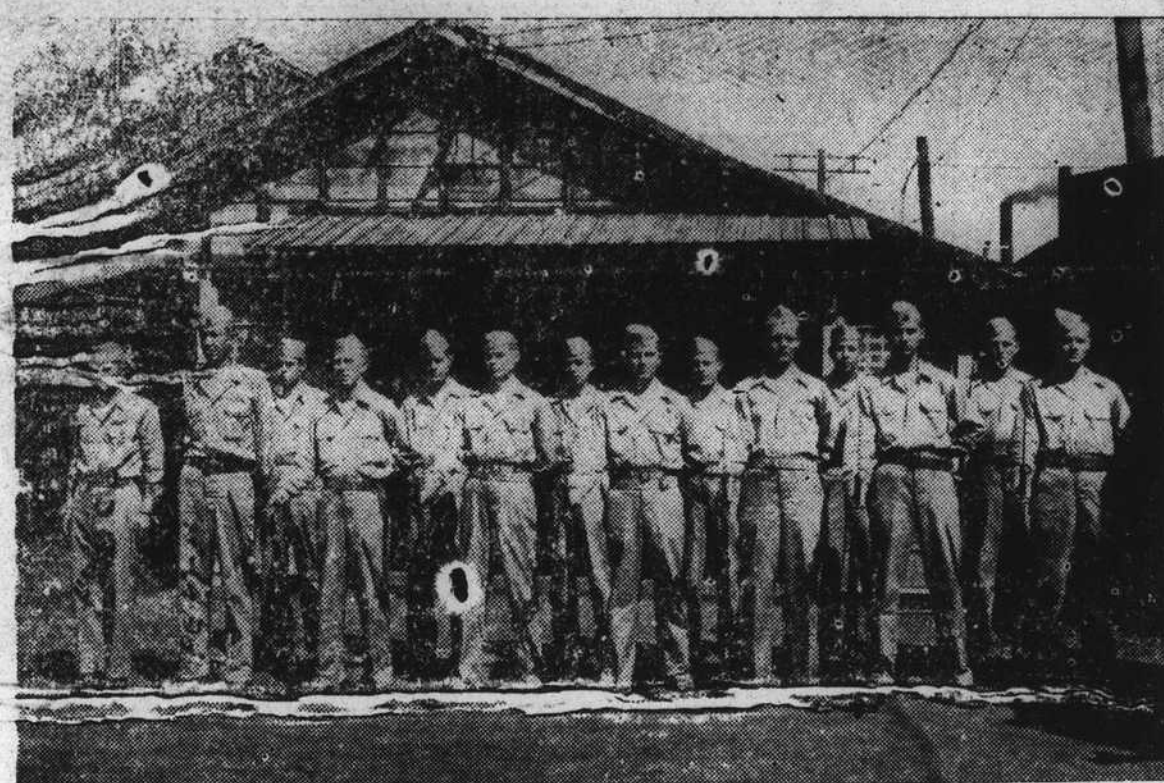
Dr. Fred Garvey And R. I. Moore To Speak; Dance Will Follow Program

A special meeting of the Alleghany Wildlife Club will be held Friday night at the community building at seven o'clock, when Dr. Fred Garvey, of Winston-Salem, chairman of the North Carolina Wildlife Club for the seventh district, and R. I. Moore, of North Wilkesboro, vice-chairman, will speak to members.

In addition to these two outstanding speakers, the election of officers for 1946 will be held. It was announced. Ladies are especially invited to attend the meeting, officials pointed out.

An oyster and fish supper will be served from seven to eight o'clock and following the program a square dance will be given. Cards have been sent to all members and others interested in the club.

First American Guard Formed After Japanese Surrender



The first American guard mount formed by prisoners of war, after the Jap surrender, put the Nips right back in their places with the guns having changed hands. Shown above is a guard mount of 14 released prisoners of war with Cpl. Walter L. Bell, of Sparta, fifth from the left. Cpl. Bell was a prisoner for almost three years. An old army man, he has re-enlisted in the service.

Local Methodist Church Fund Has Reached \$14,460

Plans For New Building Are Discussed At Recent Meeting With Architect

Contributions to the Sparta Methodist church fund have reached a total of \$14,460.00. Rev. C. R. Allison announced this week with a number of additional private donations reported.

Plans for the new building were discussed at a meeting here recently. It was explained and work is expected to begin in the spring. No definite plans for the structure have been announced.

Those making contributions were: Pfd. Harold D. Mitchell, who is now stationed with the U. S. Army in Germany, \$15.00; Mrs. C. W. Higgins, of Greensboro, \$20.00; Senator Clyde R. Hoey, \$10.00; Miss Clyde Fields, \$25.00; and Dr. J. M. Davis, \$10.00.

Robert Austin Is Now At Home

Robert Glenn Austin, son of R. L. Austin of Laurel Springs, returned recently after receiving his honorable discharge at Fort Bragg.

Glenn, who held the rank of technician, fourth grade, served with the 492nd Engineer Heavy Equipment Company in the Southwest Pacific area and the Philippines.

He served thirty months of his three years in service overseas, and is entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific and Philippine liberation ribbons with three battle stars.

NOW IN WASHINGTON

Attorney R. F. Crouse left Tuesday for Washington, D. C., where he will remain for a few days on business. Mr. Crouse expects to return by this week end.

All-Stars Meet Tomorrow Night

The Sparta Lions will roar again when they meet the Jeffersons Rotarians in a return basketball game at the local gymnasium here Friday night at 7:30 o'clock with proceeds to go for the Polio Fund.

In addition to the all-star game, the women will take part with the Jeffersons town girls playing the Sparta town girls.

The Lions defeated the Rotarians in a game at West Jefferson several weeks ago and much interest is being shown in the return game. A number of Ashe county fans are expected to attend the game.

Much entertainment is promised all basketball fans since both teams have some outstanding players. One member of the Rotarians objected because the Lions had a much "younger" team.

Infantile Paralysis Fund Has Reached \$403; President's Ball Is Attended By Many

Methodist Church Buys Camp Site Near Jefferson

30-Acre Tract Purchased By Garland Stafford From A. M. Duncan

West Jefferson (Special)

The Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, this week purchased 30 acres of land in the county as a site for a proposed summer camp for the youth. According to information learned here yesterday the plans include the erection of buildings and getting the grounds ready for use this year if possible.

The transaction was handled by Rev. Garland R. Stafford and the property was purchased from A. M. Duncan. It adjoins his home place near Jefferson and is a part of what was formerly the Foster property. The amount involved in the sale was not revealed.

Mr. Duncan said that he had turned down several offers and only decided to sell the tract to the Methodist Church group since it was to be used for a worthy cause.

Mr. Stafford, popular Methodist minister, is a member of the board of directors of Board of Education of The Western North Carolina Conference. He has long been interested in working with the youth and has been particularly interested in this section since he was pastor at Jefferson. While here he was actively interested in the hospital movement and served as treasurer for some time. He is now located at Taylorsville.

The establishment of the sum- (Continued on Page 4)

The Infantile Paralysis Drive Fund in Alleghany has reached a total of \$403.51, leaving only \$96.49 to be collected before the quota of \$500.00 is raised, reports late yesterday revealed.

Reports from each of the five organizations assigned quotas of \$100.00 were not available yesterday, but it is believed that the total will swell considerably with final reports.

The schools of the county have reported \$143.51, Supt. Clyde Fields announced yesterday. She pointed out that reports from all the schools had not yet been received. Mrs. A. V. Choate, president of the Woman's Club, reported \$105.00 for that organization. Proceeds from the President's Ball, held at the community building last night with a large attendance, amounted to more than \$175.00, it was pointed out, but expenses were deducted from that total. A donation of \$50.00, for which the club received credit, was made by David P. Lavietes.

Robert L. Nichols, commander of the American Legion, reported \$100.00, while Joe Bill Reed, president of the Lions Club, reported \$55.00. No report was received from the Chamber of Commerce.

It was announced that a basketball game between the Sparta Lions and the Jeffersons Rotarians will be played in the gymnasium here Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. The town girls' team of West Jefferson will play the town girls' team of Sparta, also, it was explained.

Records show that Alleghany received \$2,500 from the foundation, received far more benefits from the (Continued on Page 8)

Pres. Truman Has Asked Speedy Action On Price Law

Washington — President Truman this week asked congressional leaders for early action on extension of price control beyond its scheduled June 30 expiration date.

Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex.), said after a conference with the President that the Administration hopes to extend price control for another year. House Democratic Leader John W. McCormack, Mass., added that Mr. Truman feels the issue is "a matter of paramount importance to the country."

Legislation to extend the Office of Price Administration with its price control powers has not yet been introduced but McCormack said that Chairman Brent Spence (D-Ky.), of the House Banking and Currency Committee, contemplates starting hearings Feb. 5. Price Administrator Chester Bowles will be the first witness.

Price control is Mr. Truman's chief weapon in the fight against inflation. With large wage increases already granted to most of the nation's workers, the President is understood to feel that control over prices must be kept if the country is to avoid a repetition of the economic chaos that followed World War I. He drummed on the theme throughout his recent state-of-the-union-budget message.

McCormack said it would be unwise to extend price control less than a year.

"If we extend it for six months and Congress adjourns and it should be found that a further extension was needed, it would be necessary to call Congress back," he added.

In a discussion of price control on the House floor, Rep. Robert C. Slaughter, (D-Mo.), said he favored continuing controls but that (Continued on Page 4)

Alleghany County Is . . .
Outstanding Livestock, Agriculture and Tourist Center,
With A Population of 3,341.

Schools Help In Clothing Drive For Alleghany

Clothing Should Be Packed For Shipment; Bring To Sheriff's Office

The Victory Clothing Collection, which is being conducted through the schools of the county, is making rapid progress with several thousand pounds of clothing reported to date, officials announced and also pointed out that the drive would extend through February 7.

Everyone who has not done so, is urged to contribute some clothing since there are so many people in the war-torn countries of the world in dire need of clothing and bedding. It was explained that many people were writing notes and attaching them to the clothing they sent, telling the person to whom it will be given that the people of America remember them and that they feel it is a privilege to be able to help them.

Those who do not wish to bring their contributions to any of the schools were reminded that they might bring them to the office of Sheriff Jess Moxley, where they will be received. All parcels should be enclosed in a sack and well sewed for shipment, it was pointed out.

Everyone is urged to turn in clothing as soon as possible.

Family Reunion Held Here Sun.

Richardson Family Together For The First Time In Four Years

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Richardson in Sparta on Sunday, when their nine children were together for the first time in more than four years. Two sons, Arzie and Woodrow, were recently discharged from the U. S. Army after several months service overseas.

Those present were: Woodrow Richardson, of Boone; Mr. and Mrs. Arzie Richardson, of Independence, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Richardson, of Boone; Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Irwin and son, Paul; and Mr. and Mrs. Page Choate and son, David, of North Wilkesboro; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Andrews and son, Louis, of Kingsport, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Richardson and daughter, Cornelia; Glenn Richardson and children, Mrs. Jack Thompson and Allen, and Mr. Odell Richardson, Elkin.

Other visitors were: Mr. and Mrs. Vent Hill and daughter, Wanda Dare; Mr. and Mrs. Clay Smith and son, Lieut. Howard Smith, of Filer, Idaho, and daughter, Edna Rae, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Goodman and daughter, Lessie.

To Observe Boy Scout Week Here

Boy Scout Week will be observed by the Sparta scouts as it will throughout the nation from February 3 through February 10, Scoutmaster Granville Liles announced this week.

The thirty-sixth anniversary of scouting in America, February 3, will be recognized as Scout Sunday and will be observed in the church program at the Presbyterian church here.

The scouts will offer a special scout responsive reading and the Rev. C. R. Allison will bring a special message regarding this great movement for boys, it was (Continued on Page 8)

Boone Market Is Setting Record

The Mountain Burley Tobacco warehouses in Boone are setting a new high record for poundage this season, with the five million mark passed on Monday of this week.

Rose Coleman, manager said he was pleased to serve so many farmers and urged that they bring the remainder of their tobacco in before the market closes on Friday, February 8.

All farmers, who have checks at the warehouse and have not called for them are asked to do so at once.