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Lamb Pool To Be Held Here Next Thurs., July 23

R. E. Black, County Agent, Says Schedule Will Be Mailed To Farmers

A cooperative lamb pool will be held in Alleghany county on Thursday, July 25, with all lambs to be sold to Swift and Company, R. E. Black, county agent, announced this week.

The lambs will be loaded at North Wilkesboro, he stated. Any farmer wishing to haul his own lambs may deliver them to the loading platform there and will be paid according to weight when delivered, he pointed out.

Mr. Black explained that a schedule for gathering the lambs was not available this morning, but that each farmer would be notified by mail before Thursday. Farmers hauling their own lambs, may take them at any time during the day, he stated.

There will be two additional shipments of lambs in August and in September, Mr. Black said.

C. Of C. Discusses Athletic Program

Members Invited To Be Guests Of Lions Club In August; Cancel Own Meeting

The Chamber of Commerce was extended a special invitation to be the guests of the Lions Club in August at the meeting held here last Friday night. The invitation was accepted and the August meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was canceled.

A discussion of the athletic program proposed by the Chamber of Commerce was held and a report was heard from the committee composed of Ralph Gentry, C. R. Roe and R. E. Black.

It was decided that a joint meeting of all interested civic clubs would be held and that a program would be worked out by them.

Three new members, Ted Porter, Frank Osborne and Tommy Osborne, were admitted into the organization.

A buffet supper was served by members of the Sparta Woman's Club to 43 members and guests.

VFW Post Will Meet July 25

The Veterans of Foreign Wars will hold their July meeting at the community building here on Thursday, July 25, at eight o'clock, Amon C. Edwards, commander, announced this week.

He urged that every member be present for the meeting when a number of business matters will be discussed.

ATTENDS INSTITUTE ON ATOMIC CONTROL

Mrs. Ed M. Anderson, first vice-president of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs represented the organization at the Institute on World Control of Atomic Energy in Washington, D. C., this week.

Renowned scientists, government officials and other national leaders took part on the program.

Schools To Have Lunch Program

Miss Clyde Fields, superintendent of schools, pointed out that she had received information from Raleigh that a lunch room program for the schools would again be carried out this year.

Schools are to make applications again as usual, Miss Fields explained. It was pointed out that applications should be gotten in as soon as possible, for early approval.

The lunch program will be carried on in four schools in Alleghany, including Sparta, Piney Creek, Rich Hill and Little Pine. Miss Fields explained that it is hoped that other schools throughout the county may be added to the list this year.

It was pointed out by state officials of the lunch program that where possible, when local food could be secured and kept the lunches up to standard, it would prove much more satisfactory.

Bean Pickers Are Busy In This Section Now



Here is a scene on the R. C. Miller farm between the Jeffersons. Bean pickers are busy here as they are throughout this section now. Recent rains have done much to improve the crops. Both West Jefferson bean markets report good demand and high prices for this vital product.—(Photo by Harrison).

Veterans To Receive College Training In "Off-Campus" Program; May Register Mon.

Opportunities For Veterans And Non-veterans Offered In This Plan

Alleghany county men along with others in the state who have been turned away from colleges and universities will be given the privilege of furthering their education through the new "off-campus" training program. It is necessary for all veterans and non-veterans desiring entry to register at the office of the county superintendent in the courthouse in Sparta on Monday, July 22 as a definite number must register to warrant the opening of such a center.

"This is a real opportunity for Alleghany men, especially veterans who have returned home too late to secure entry in colleges and universities of their choice. Extensive plans are being made by the Steering Committee of the Governor's committee on Veterans Education for this project," Miss Clyde Fields said.

Entry blanks will be available Monday at the superintendent's office, it was pointed out. Complete plans of proposed locations of the "off campus" centers will have to be determined after the applications have been made. No definite plans can be worked out until this is accomplished, it was pointed out.

In the proposed plans, each "off-campus" center will be under the supervision of some college or university and all credits earned there will be transferable to the institution of the student's choice as soon as he is able to enter (Continued on Page 4)

SPARTA GROUP VISITS AT CAROLINA BEACH

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Bledsoe, Mrs. Edwin Duncan and Mrs. C. A. Miles are expected to return from Carolina Beach this week end after spending the week as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson, of Greensboro.

Draft Is Widened To Ages Of 19 To 29; Deferment Cut

Washington—President Truman Tuesday authorized extension of the draft of men 19 through 29 and Selective Service quickly tightened up on deferments.

Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, draft director, instructed local boards that occupational deferments must be allowed only "to those few registrants" whom they find to be "indispensable and irreplaceable to the national existence."

Farmers and farm workers will continue to get special consideration, however, and fathers are exempt.

The army's two-month draft holiday will end in September and Hershey said it had asked for 25,000 men that month. The June call was for 50,000.

Mr. Truman approved a Selective Service recommendation that the acceptable draft age be

OPA's Fate Still To Be Considered By President

Little Rise In Local Prices So Far; Public Is Interested

With OPA's fate still uncertain, little rise has been noted so far by local people. As to how long present prices will continue is also still uncertain.

According to reports circulated from Washington today, President Truman has advised he will sign the new Senate-approved OPA bill if Congress will remove its ban on price controls for meat, eggs, butter, milk and other living cost items.

This word went around, although not immediately confirmed by Democratic leaders, shortly after the House, by a 211 to 64 vote, declined to accept the Senate's bill and directed that a Senate-House committee write a compromise measure.

The House vote came after Democratic Leader McCormack of Massachusetts, told his colleagues the people "will remember next November what Congress does with OPA. He voiced confidence the conference committee will write a one-year OPA restoration bill that the House, Senate and the President will approve.

The administration drive for an opportunity to rewrite the Senate bill, described by President Truman as "terrible, won in the House as Republican ranks split on a proposal to approve the Senate measure "as is and toss it to the President, notwithstanding veto prospects.

When the showdown came, no formal motion was made to plump the Senate bill on the President's desk.

A key Republican, Representative Wolcott of Michigan, of the banking committee, joined administration (Continued on Page 4)

Guernsey Sale Will Be Held At Transou, Aug. 2

State Test Farm Will Be The Scene Of Sale For Alleghany And Ashe

Instead of having two Guernsey cattle promotional sales for the two counties, Alleghany and Ashe will have a joint sale at the State Test Farm, at Transou, on August 2, it was announced this week.

R. E. Black, Alleghany county agent, said that R. A. McLaughlin, secretary of the American Guernsey Breeders' Association, would be here a few days in advance to help work out the details of the meeting as will F. R. Farnum, of the Extension Division of State College.

More details of the sale are to be announced next week.

Schools Are Still Short Of Teachers

Miss Clyde Fields, superintendent of Alleghany county schools, announced this week that with schools tentatively opening throughout the county on August 26, that several teachers were still needed.

These positions, however, are expected to be filled by the opening date.

George VanHoy will be principal at Piney Creek. Announcement of the Sparta principal is expected to be made next week.

Miss Fields pointed out that a teacher's meeting would be called before the opening of schools, with the date to be announced later.

Mrs. Parks, 76, Dies In Texas

Miss Lola Womble this week received news of the death of her aunt, Mrs. Bower R. Parks, 76, of Dallas, Texas, on July 6.

Mrs. Parks is survived by one son, Rutherford Parks, also of Dallas. Her husband, brother of the late Mrs. Gaston Reeves, of Sparta, and the late Mrs. Myra Tolbrook, also of Sparta, and a former resident of this county, died several years ago.

Mrs. Parks had visited in Sparta a number of times and was well-known in the county.

Dairy Payments Now Being Made

Herbert Osborne, chairman of the Alleghany AAA, announced this week that applications for dairy feed payments for the months of April, May and June, were now coming in, and urged that all farmers who had not turned in their applications should do so at once.

It was pointed out that a subsidy on milk for any date later than June would depend on the action taken by Congress since the OPA has been removed.

Mr. Osborne explained that applications should either be mailed or brought to the AAA office here.

Plans Completed For County Lamb Show To Be Held July 24

Any 4-H Or FFA Club Member Eligible To Enter Lambs In Show

NEW NCPA PRESIDENT

Plans were completed this week for the lamb show which will be held on the lawn of the community building here next Wednesday, July 24, under the sponsorship of the Sparta Grange, officials announced this week.

Any member of the 4-H club or FFA club is eligible to enter lambs in the show, it was announced. This is the second show of its kind ever to be held in the county and much interest is expected to be shown by the general public as well as the boys and girls who will have entries in the show. The show last year was very successful and even more interest is expected to be shown this year.

The grand champion of the show last year was owned and raised by Duane Kilby, of Sparta, with second prize going to Fielding Miller, of Laurel Springs.

A number of prizes will be offered, R. E. Black, county agent, and member of the arrangement committee for the show, announced. A first prize of \$10.00 will be given the grand champion lamb of the show, with \$7.50 second prize and \$5.00 third prize. A prize of \$10.00 will also be given for the best pair of lambs in the show and a \$10.00 prize will also be given for the best twin lambs shown. It was pointed out that in the class for the best pair of lambs, it is not necessary that they be twins.

The public is invited to attend the show and a special invitation is extended to all those farmers who donated ewes to the 4-H and FFA boys and girls to help get them started in the sheep raising business.

"This show should create greater interest in the possibilities of increased and improved sheep raising among the future farmers and 4-H clubbers of the county as well as among the present farmers," Mr. Black stated.

Baker Family Holds Reunion

United For First Time In Eight Years; Held At Home Of Dr. B. O. Choate

A reunion of the Baker family was held last week at the home of Dr. and Mrs. B. O. Choate, when Mrs. Choate's brothers and sisters gathered for the first time in eight years.

A number of members of the family spent several days with Dr. and Mrs. Choate.

Those attending the reunion were G. F. Baker and son, Francis, of Richmond, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Dotson, of Charlotte; Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Baker and son, of Chilhowie, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Baker, of Independence, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker and Fred Baker, of Independence; Mr. and Mrs. John Crockett, of Galax, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Choate and son, Bob, of Sparta.



T. R. Burgiss, who will lead the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association in 1947-48.

Gentry Is Named Town Marshal To Succeed Reeves

Appointed At Special Meeting Of Town Council; Reeves Continues As Collector

Dick Gentry was appointed marshal of the town of Sparta at a special meeting of the town council here last week, following the resignation of Cleo Reeves, ex-serviceman who has held the position for the past several months.

Gentry, who served a number of years as town clerk, resigned several months ago, due to the pressure of other duties, but was persuaded to re-assume the duties after Reeves' resignation.

"We are well pleased to be able to get Gentry for the position of town marshal and we know that the law will be strictly enforced," a member of the town council stated.

It is expected that the town council, at their next regular meeting, will draw up a number of resolutions concerning the parking problem in Sparta and that penalties will be imposed on those who violate the rules.

It was pointed out that Reeves will continue as town tax collector and superintendent of the water works.

MISS ANNA ROWE VISITS CURB MARKET

Miss Anna C. Rowe, district home agent, was in Alleghany on Tuesday and attended the curb market at Roaring Gap, which is under the sponsorship of the home demonstration women of the county.

Miss Rowe pointed out that the curb market was an outstanding success and the department was well pleased with the project, under the supervision of Mrs. Isom Wagoner, home agent.

Evans' String Band Gaining State-Wide Recognition

Clifton Evans and his Band, well-known Alleghany string music trio, are fast gaining state-wide recognition, as requests keep coming from various parts of the state for their services at banquets and meetings.

It all started back in 1943 when the Evans string band was asked to go to Raleigh to play for the Capitol Grange there. Then in 1945 they played for the North Carolina Department of Agriculture when they entertained the agricultural committee of the House and Senate and again the same year they furnished music for a square dance at the State county agents convention.

In 1946 they were asked to play at the Farm Bureau convention in Winston-Salem and then on

Monday night they played at Black Mountain, again for the Farm Bureau.

In addition to all these engagements they have an invitation to spend a week in Raleigh August 19 for the Farm and Home Week there.

Clif and his band, as they are known here, have long been in demand in Alleghany county and a square dance just isn't a square dance without them. Clif plays the guitar, Howard Jones the fiddle and either Paul Miles or Ed Atwood picks the banjo.

In addition to his band, Clifton Evans has a prosperous jewelry business in Sparta and finds it difficult to get away for engagements with his band. Music has always been a hobby with him, but is finding his hobby profitable.

Pharmaceutical Ass'n To Name Burgiss As Pres.

To Succeed E. C. Daniel At Association's 1947 Convention

Chapel Hill—T. Roy Burgiss, of Sparta, first vice-president of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association and former representative from Alleghany County in the General Assembly will lead the association in 1947-48. His election was announced today by President E. C. Daniel, of Zebulon, whom Burgiss will succeed at the association's 1947 convention.

Other officers-elect are T. G. Crutchfield, Greensboro, first vice-president; J. C. Jackson, Lumberton, second vice-president; and W. A. Ward, Swannanoa, third vice-president. W. J. Smith is secretary-treasurer of the association with headquarters in Chapel Hill.

J. C. Brantley, Jr., of Raleigh, will be recommended to Governor R. Gregg Cherry for appointment to the N. C. State Board of Pharmacy for a five year term.

President E. C. Daniel was selected as a member of the association's executive committee for a three year term.

Members of the board of tellers who conducted the mail ballot were E. T. Beddingfield, Clayton; T. J. Etheridge, Bailey; and M. E. Melvin, Raleigh.

President-elect Burgiss was born in Jennings, N. C., in 1904. He attended Elkin high school and was graduated from the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy in 1925. For a number of years he was associated with a retail pharmacy in Elkin where he worked with W. A. Gilliam, Winston-Salem, the association's immediate past president. Burgiss is proprietor of the B. and T. Drug Company in Sparta, where he has been in business for the past 21 years. In fact, he passed the N. C. State Board on June 15, 1925 and opened the drug store in Sparta on July 1, 1925. He has served as mayor, chairman of the Alleghany County Board of Education, Alleghany County Democrat.

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Last Clinic Date Named By Nurse

All Food Handlers Are To Have Health Certificates; May Be Secured Here

Miss Matteline Gambill, Alleghany county health nurse, announced this week that she would give vaccinations for typhoid, whooping cough, diphtheria and smallpox at Pleasant Grove church on July 24 from 10:00 to 11:00 a. m.

Miss Gambill pointed out that this date would end the clinic that has been going on in the county for the past month and that the health office would be open at the regular hours hereafter. The hours are 1:00 to 4:30 p. m. on Wednesdays and 8:30 a. m. to 12 noon on Saturdays.

It was also announced that all food handlers who do not have their health certificates, should get them from the health department at once.

Urges Tomato Blight Control

R. E. Black, county agent, this week reminded Alleghany county farmers that last year there was a severe epidemic of late blight on tomatoes and warned that they treat plants this year to prevent a recurrence of the disease.

Mr. Black pointed out that as a result of the blight last year that very few farmers produced enough tomatoes for home use, and that comparatively none were placed on the market. He also stated that a number of cases of blight have been reported this season.

If the farmers will start now, tusting with a good recommended fungicide, this disease can be controlled to a great extent. This dusting solution is on sale here and contains copper and rotenone, it was explained.

"Farmers should take advantage of this blight control, in order to save the tomato crop this year," Mr. Black said.