

Car Wreck Fatal To Two Alleghany Men

More Funds Are Sought For Needs; May Cut Districts

Sick-Leave Pay For Teachers Sought; Mecklenburg Declaration Considered

By Staff Writer
Raleigh—(Special)—An appropriation of \$200,000 during the coming biennium to assist counties of the State in aiding indigent persons between the ages of 18 and 65 was requested of the General Assembly's joint appropriation committee Tuesday by the State Board of Welfare.

Dr. Ellen Winston, State Welfare commissioner, in requesting the appropriation for a program of "general assistance" pointed out that the Advisory Budget commission has recommended appropriations totaling \$3,500,000 for old-age assistance and \$1,300,000 for aid to dependent children during the biennium.

The additional appropriation of \$200,000 was requested, Dr. Winston said, to aid county welfare departments in caring for a "great group of forgotten people"—those too old for aid for dependent children and those too young for old age assistance.

Sick Leave For Teachers
North Carolina's public school teachers and principals, one of the few groups of State employees not now entitled to sick leave, had hopes of being able to draw checks for an annual 12-day period of compensated sick leave.

Representative M. F. Ransdell of Wake county introduced a bill Monday night which would give the school group this time for sickness. The teachers and principals would draw their full pay while sick for 12 days.

The present arrangement, under State Board of Education regulations, requires a sick teacher or principal to pay \$5 a day for a substitute.

Mecklenburg Declaration
A public hearing will be held at 9:30 a. m. today on a measure by Representative Dellinger, of Gaston, which would declare the truth of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

The measure would make it a legal fact that there was such a declaration; teachers could not doubt its truth in their classrooms; and books questioning its authenticity could not be taught.

Honors Divided By Teams, Mon.
The Sparta and Boonville high school teams divided honors here on the local court, Monday night. The hometown girls doubled the score on the visiting lasses defeating them 32-16. Uptie Andrews led the pace for the Sparta girls and was high scorer for the team.

The Boonville boys however were victorious defeating the home team by a 23 point margin. The score was 40-17.

The Sparta boys in their opening game Tuesday night in the annual junior chamber of commerce tournament at Elkin defeated the Junior Y. M. C. A. boys by a score of 23-4.

The girls also entered the tournament and played Taylorsville there last night, however the results of the game were not available in time for publication.

The boys will again journey to Elkin Friday to compete with the Taylorsville team.

Wagoner To Hear Cases On Saturday
Several minor cases will be heard at preliminary hearing before B. F. Wagoner, justice of the peace, here Saturday.

County Surpasses Polio Fund Drive Quota This Week

A Total Of \$608.01 Is Raised; Quota Was Originally \$550.00

Alleghany county this week surpassed its original quota of \$550.00 to be raised for the Infantile Paralysis Fund drive by contributing a total of \$608.01, Mrs. Ruth Jones Choate, stated yesterday.

Mrs. Choate pointed out that she was highly pleased to have made the quota in time as Alleghany is among the first in North Carolina to surpass its quota to this extent.

The chairman said that cooperation in the drive had been very fine and that she wished to thank the merchants of Sparta as well as Twin Oaks for their generosity and the schools for their cooperation in this all important drive.

A list of contributors had previously published are: Twin Oaks Cafe, A. V. Choate (RFD employee) and Cash and Carry, \$5.00 each.

Gascho's service station, Miss Iva Zell Taylor, R. H. Walker, \$2.00 each.

Twin Oaks store, J. F. Maines, Ralph Cheek and Mrs. P. L. Choate, \$1.00.

Schools: Wolf Branch, \$3.87; Piney Swamp, \$5.00; Rich Field, \$14.15; Piney Creek, \$55.00.

Sparta theatre collections totaled \$12.55 and the March of Dime containers, totaling \$1.50.

Ben Wagoner and Ray Fields, 50 cents each.

Films Shown On Sanitation, Tues.

Moving picture films showing approved methods of operating a Grade A dairy barn and a milk processing plant and the right and wrong way to operate a restaurant were seen by a group of interested men and women at the community building Tuesday night.

The pictures were shown by Wade E. Eller, district sanitarian, and Dr. Robert R. King, Jr., health officer, with the cooperation of Emerson Black, county agent.

Some discussion of the local milk sheds was given by Mr. Black, Mr. Eller and Guy Perry. At the suggestion of the local dairy men, plans are being made to secure more films on similar

Approved Methods Of Handling Milk And Food Discussed By Wade Eller

Officers of the American Legion post were named and installed at the meeting at the community building last Saturday night when Carl Douglas succeeded Robert L. Nichols as commander.

Other officers named to serve with the new commander are Ernest E. Edwards, adjutant, and Silas R. Nichols, membership chairman.

School Building Improvements Now Being Made

Fire Prevention Measures Are Being Taken In Sparta Graded School Building

The county board of education this week took action to improve the condition of the graded school building at Sparta, Miss Clyde Fields, superintendent of schools, announced this week.

The work which is already underway, consists of a fireproof ceiling in the school cafeteria as well as an added fire exit. Fire escapes are also being added to the second floors as well as exits on the first floor. Miss Fields pointed out that the need of fire preventative measures had been urgent for some time, and now that work had begun she hoped that it would be completed soon.

County Winners Of Conservation Contest Named

Julian Hyde Winner Of First Place, Will Go To North Wilkesboro

Julian Hyde, of Glade Valley high school, was winner of first place in the county soil conservation contest held Tuesday when representatives from the county schools were present. Alda Richardson, of Sparta high school, was second place winner and Cooper, of Sparta high school, won the third place honor.

Prizes were Wade E. Eller, district sanitarian; A. B. Hart, principal of Nathan's Creek high school, and H. D. Quessenberry, Ashe county agent.

As the county winner Julian Hyde will go to North Wilkesboro for the group contest on February 13. And the winner here will go to Elkin on February 20 for the finals. Here the contestants will compete for \$350 in savings bonds and a trip to the annual convention of the State Bankers Association at Asheville, according to a recent announcement by J. Frank Doggett, Soil Conservationist for State College Extension Service.

The students, winners in seven district elimination contests, will be judged in the finals by Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, Raleigh; Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, former assistant director of the State College Extension Service; Dr. R. W. Cummings, State College Agronomy head; Gurney P. Hood, State commissioner of banks; and M. G. Mann, Cotton Growers Co-operative.

Doggett said that the contest began October 1 in 45 counties of the state, and is sponsored by the State Bankers Association. The Association's convention, to which the state winner will receive an expense-paid trip, will be held May 29 and 30.

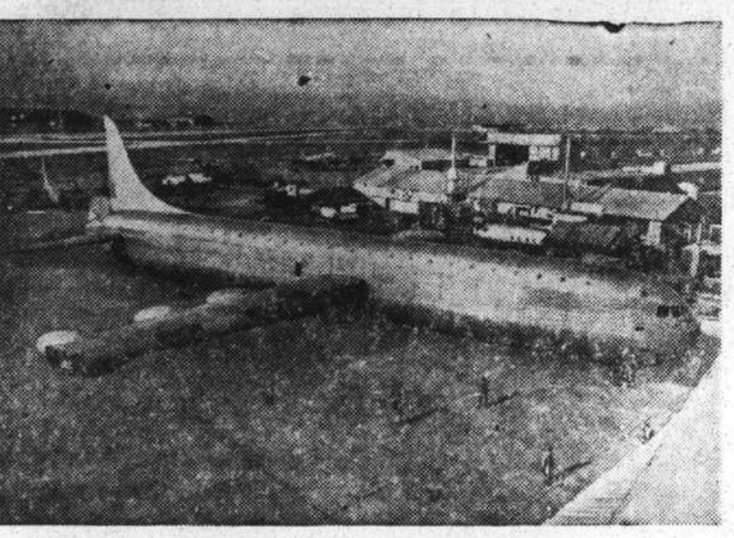
Alleghany, Ashe Will Be On Air Sat.

Alleghany and Ashe counties will be given some publicity on the air, over WSJS, Winston-Salem on Saturday at 12:45 p. m. in connection with the regular program, "News of Northwest North Carolina. Representatives of The Skyland Post and the Alleghany News have been invited to be special guests.

ELDER W. H. HANDY REMAINS ILL AT HOME

Elder W. H. Handy, of Little Pine, who has been confined to his home for the past two months, does not seem to improve. Those visiting him Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. Gord Greene and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Greene and family, Mr. David Cook, Mr. Leff Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Moxley, Mr. Everett Handy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Handy, all of Ennice; Mrs. Thelma Wyatt, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Jannie Handy, Mrs. J. W. Hall, and son, Wayne and daughters, Imogene and Bernice, of McGrady.

Largest Land-Based Aircraft



The army air forces' XC-99 cargo and troop transport, capable of carrying 400 troops or 100,000 pounds of cargo, is rapidly nearing completion at San Diego.

Mercury Drops Below Zero As Cold Wave Strikes County; High Winds, Snow Flurries

Teachers Not To Get Emergency Pay In 6th Month

Some Delay In Handling Matter Is Announced By State Office

Miss Clyde Fields, county school superintendent, announced that teachers' emergency pay in the sixth month check as was expected.

In a letter received from Paul Reed, comptroller of the N. C. State Board of Education, Mr. Reed stated that vouchers dated prior to February 25 throughout the state will not include the bonus voted recently by the legislature. The reason for the delay was that details of the payments have not as yet been worked out and therefore will not be available before February 25.

All teachers Miss Fields pointed out according to instructions, will receive one-half of the bonus with their March checks.

Miss Fields stated that the reason for clarifying such statements was because some teachers were under the impression that they would receive their bonus this month.

OSBORNES IN FLORIDA SPENDING THE WINTER

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Osborne, of Alleghany county, are spending the winter with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sherrod in Lamont, Florida.

USO Fund Drive Is Lagging; More Contributions Needed

Little progress has been made this week in an effort to raise more funds for the USO fund drive now underway in the county. C. R. Roe, chairman, stated yesterday.

Sparta high school, in continuing its efforts to raise more money, contributed \$5.45 through the dramatics club which sponsored a play entitled "Come Down Off Your High Horse," written by Norma McBride, a member of the club.

In the school collections in the elementary grades, Mrs. Rebecca Choate's fifth grade turned in a total of \$10.58. In the high school, Roy Ellison's twelfth grade raised a total of \$18.75. Prizes will be awarded the rooms which raised more than any others.

Sparta high school contributions by rooms are: twelfth grade, Mrs. Warren's room, \$4.41; twelfth grade, Roy Ellison's room, \$18.75; eleventh grade, Miss Edwards' room, \$10.00; tenth grade, Mrs. C. R. Roe's room, \$1.68; tenth grade, Mrs. Maxwell's room, \$1.95; ninth grade, J. B. Reed's

Fred J. Weaver, H. D. Williams Killed Monday

First Highway Casualty Of Year Occurred On Roaring Gap Road

Death rode the highway for the first time this year in Alleghany county when Fred Johnson Weaver, 19 and Howard Dean Williams, 20, were instantly killed on Monday night around 8:30 o'clock when the LaSalle automobile in which they were riding collided with a double tractor driven by D. P. Depoister, of Detroit. The accident occurred at the Tea Pot Dome point of the Roaring Gap road in the Cherry Lane community.

Investigating officers said that both of the young men received fatal head injuries and died instantly. State Highway Patrolman D. A. Houston said that the investigation revealed that the LaSalle car driven by Weaver was travelling at an extremely high rate of speed and was on the wrong side of the road when it sideswiped the double tractors. Depoister pulled almost completely off of the pavement in an attempt to avoid the on coming car.

Edward Woodie, who was riding with Weaver at the time of the accident received lacerations around the base of his skull. He is now undergoing treatment in the Ashe hospital from which he is expected to be released within a short time.

George Sands, of Detroit, and the damage to the tractors was estimated at \$1,000 worth.

Funeral service for Fred Johnson Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weaver of Peden was held Wednesday afternoon at the home with Elder Charlie Kilby in charge. Burial followed in the family cemetery. The young man had recently returned home from service and members of the VFW acted as honorary pall bearers. A large number of friends and relatives attended the service.

Howard Dean Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Williams was buried this morning at Mount Zion Methodist church cemetery following the service conducted there by Revs. W. H. Caldwell and Wm. Sturgill.

Leonard Shores Buried On Wed.

Well Known Alleghany Man Passes In Wilkes Hospital, Sunday

Funeral service for Leonard Shores, 60, well known Alleghany county man, was held Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock at the Sparta Primitive Baptist church. Officiating was Elder Charlie Kilby and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Shores, who was reported to have been in ill health for sometime, succumbed at the Wilkes hospital Sunday at 2:00 p. m. A well known Alleghany county man, Mr. Shores was a carpenter by profession.

He is survived by his wife and the following children: Levi and Erta Shores, both of Sparta; Roy Shores, of Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Jas. Proffitt, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Marie Caudill, of Whitehead, and one half-brother, Don Shores, of Sparta.

Officers Are Still Seeking Thieves

The thief, or thieves, who broke in and entered the Shell Service Station January 28, had not been apprehended late yesterday according to reports made by Sheriff Glenn D. Richardson. Officers are still making efforts to catch them, however.

Joe Doughton, owner of the station, reported the loss of property at approximately \$300.00. Automobile tires as well as other automotive parts were stolen.

N. C. Soil Conservation Leaders



Here is a group of soil conservation leaders: Sitting, reading from left to right, Alonzo Edwards, Hookerton, past president; Herbert White, Caswell county, State president; E. B. Garrett, State Conservationist, SCS, Raleigh; Wade E. Eller, Ashe county, first vice-president; Hauley Poole, Moore county, second vice-president of the North Carolina Association of Soil Conservation District supervisors were elected recently at the state meeting held in Goldsboro.