

County Surpasses Red Cross Fund Drive Quota

House Favors Investigation Of State Boards

Measure Is Licked For Day-light Savings Time In North Carolina

By Staff Writer
 Raleigh—(Special)—With still much to be accomplished before adjournment, which has been talked of for this week members of the house of the general assembly Tuesday passed on its third reading a joint resolution which would authorize the governor to name a commission to investigate the state's 21 licensing and regulatory boards.

The proposal, introduced in the house of Rep. Sims of Mecklenburg and others, has been sent to the senate.

After a lengthy—at time angry—debate, the house voted down 48-36 a measure to reduce powers of the state board of barber examiners. The bill would repeal a requirement that a barber whose license has expired must take an examination to regain his license.

After defeat of the measure, a motion to adjourn prevented consideration of four other measures to reduce powers of the barber board.

The house, meeting in a late afternoon session, also passed on third reading a bill which would remove the debt limitation for the state, counties and municipalities.

Present debt limitation law requires that the state cannot issue bonds, save for necessary expenses, without a vote of the people, except in the amount of three-fifths of the debt repaid during the preceding biennium.

The same limitation now applies to counties and municipalities, with the specification that the repaid debt applies to the previous year instead of biennial.

Questioned On B. & T. Drug Case

One Of Group Identified As Party Who Attempted To Buy Morphine Here

Two men and one woman were arrested by the Sheriff here around five o'clock yesterday afternoon and are being held for questioning by local authorities in the county jail.

George Slater and Glen Huddler and wife, Pearl Huddler, who gave their addresses as Wytheville, Va., were stopped by State highwaymen Tuesday night. None of the occupants of the car had driver's license and there was no operators license for the vehicle, it was learned.

Huddler was identified by Dr. T. Roy Burgess as a customer who entered the B. and T. Drug store and asked for morphine.

The suspects were being questioned by State Investigator Guy Scott, of Winston-Salem, yesterday in connection with the recent robbery of the B. and T. Drug Co.

Quiet Easter Is Expected

Easter is expected to be quietly observed here with most of the churches holding special services Sunday. Schools will continue as usual on Monday, but stores as well as business houses and offices are expected to observe a holiday. Many business men expect to fish on this day, provided the weather permits.

Most merchants report good Easter business during the past few days. Earlier business was greatly curtailed because of the cold weather, however.

The new allotment of sugar will allow for more Easter candy and cake. There are also many other Easter foods that are available for the first time since before the war.

A number of groups have planned egg hunts for the week end.

Town Election For Sparta Officials To Be Held Tues., May 6

HAS SERVICE RECORD



Carl Irwin, rural mail carrier, who completed 31 years of service March 31.

March 31 Was Red Letter Day For Carrier Carl Irwin

Completes 31 Years Of Service As Rural Mail Carrier In Allegheny County

By Staff Writer
 March 31 was really a red letter day for Carl Irwin, popular rural mail carrier, on route number 3 Sparta; for it marked the completion of 31 years of service for him in this work.

Rural Carrier Irwin began service at Stratford April 1, 1916, on a nineteen-mile route at around \$75.00 per month. He travelled on horseback for the most of three years and was forced to use a horse-drawn vehicle during the winter months for about fifteen years because of the condition of the roads.

During this period the county has been through two wars. Carrier Irwin has brought both good and bad news to those he has served.

C. Of C. To Meet Friday, April 11

The Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular meeting Friday, April 11 at the community building at 7:30 o'clock Ben G. Reeves, president, announced this week.

It will be a dinner meeting as usual and all members are urged to be present.

House Approves \$6,000,000. School Lunch Program Fund

Washington—With North Carolina Democrats in the forefront, the House Tuesday approved a deficiency appropriation of \$6,000,000 for continuation of the Federal aid school lunch program through the remainder of the current school term.

In many states, including North Carolina, increased costs during the present school year had exhausted by last week the funds originally intended to last throughout the Spring term.

The program in many localities has been continued this week on an emergency basis, with the brunt of the expense being borne by local authorities.

Yesterday's action by the House which is subject to final approval by the Senate, is believed in most quarters to virtually assure sufficient Federal funds for completion of the program this term.

\$3,500,000 Available
 The Department of Agriculture, which directs the Federal end of the program, said that it "was confident that the school lunch program can be carried out in all states participating." Officials re-

Candidates Must File; Registration Books Will Be Open Saturday

At a meeting of the board of aldermen of Sparta, this week, May 6 was set as the date for the election of the mayor and the five members of the board of aldermen.

G. Glenn Nichols was named as register, J. A. Osborne and Willie Jones as judges. It was announced that the registration books would be open from April 5 through April 18 and all persons who are not registered are urged to register in order to be eligible to vote. April 19 will be challenge day.

Attention is called to the fact that all candidates for the office of mayor or members of the board of aldermen must file prior to April 18.

Water Shortage Still Critical; Begin Well Work

Cooperation Of Business Houses Has Helped Some In Increasing Supply

With the melting of the deep snow and the heavy rains, Sparta had plenty of surface water during the past few days when there was literally "water water everywhere," but very little to drink. It was pointed out by town officials, however, that through the cooperation of garages, filling stations and other big users, in conserving the supply, that it is now slightly better than it was a few days ago.

It was also explained that some work had been done on the well and that as soon as materials were available the pipe lines would be lowered more in order to increase the water supply.

Woodruff Rites Held Here Friday

Last rites for Wilmer Woodruff, 42, were held Friday at the Presbyterian church here with Rev. W. H. Yokeley officiating. Interment was in the Shiloh cemetery. Mr. Woodruff succumbed at the Wilkes hospital last Wednesday after undergoing an operation and treatment there.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Flossie Miller Woodruff, one daughter, Ellen and three sons, Guy, Bill and John Miller, all of Laurel Springs, one sister, Miss Jean Woodruff, of Raleigh, and one step-sister, Mrs. Doughton Perry, of Blowing Rock.

Laurel Springs Girl Buried Fri.

Funeral service for Minnie Lou Cox, 16-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cox, of Laurel Springs, was held Friday at the Transou Tabernacle with Rev. J. W. Luke officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Mrs. Jones, pastor of the church. Interment was in the Transou Methodist cemetery.

The young girl was reported to have been stricken with a heart attack last Wednesday night and died before she could reach the hospital.

She is survived by, in addition to her parents, one sister, Jewell Deane, and one brother, John Charles, both of the home.

Sincere Wishes To All For A Joyous Easter



Eight Men Enter Home At Ennice; Damage Property

Estimated At \$400; Six Men Arrested; Other Warrants Issued By Sheriff

Warrants were issued for six men in connection with the disturbance and drunken brawl which caused destruction to the amount of \$400 to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carpenter in the Glade Creek township last Saturday night.

According to officers, Mr. Carpenter was away from home Saturday night and returned to find eight young men in his home. All were reported by investigating officers to be in an intoxicated condition. Carpenter ordered the men to leave and upon their refusal he and his wife and Mrs. Evans left the house.

Upon their return the next morning, they found that their home had been completely ransacked, the furniture was broken in pieces, the stove had been torn down and thrown into the yard and one of the feather beds had been cut open and two inches of feathers were found all over the house.

Alonzo Royal, Clarence Tompkins, Elwood Roberts and Bert Grover and Porter Evans, all of the Ennice section, were arrested by investigating officers on the charge of destruction to property and public drunkenness. Each was released on \$200 bond pending hearing before Justice G. Glenn Nichols at 2:00 p. m. Saturday.

The sheriff reported that war-

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VFW Meeting Is Again Postponed

The VFW meeting planned for last Thursday night was called off due to the heavy snow which fell in the county making it impossible for members to be present.

The purpose of the meeting was to name officers. Another meeting will be called for this purpose before the regular meeting time, Amon Edwards, post commander, stated.

To Keep Cars Off School Grounds

Students as well as others who have been parking on school property, when school is not in session, are asked to refrain from doing so in the future, R. H. Walker, Sparta high school principal, asked this week.

By driving automobiles on both the ball diamond and school grounds, the grounds are now very much in need of repair. Trash or refuse had been thrown on the school grounds which was of course detrimental to its appearance to the public. Cooperation of individuals in regard to this matter will be appreciated.

Many Special Observances Are Planned For Easter By Allegheny County Churches

Group Meets To Discuss Plans For Baseball

Committee Named To Repair Ball Diamond And To Make Arrangements

Plans for spring practice and for entering a junior league were discussed by baseball fans and players at the meeting held at the community building last Saturday night.

No date has been set for the beginning of practice, it was pointed out by those in charge, due to the uncertain weather conditions. As soon as the ground is in better condition, all players will be notified.

At the meeting a special committee was named to be in charge of general repairs of the baseball diamond here. The field is reported to be in a deplorable condition and much must be done before practice can begin. Named

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Flat Rock Game Again Cancelled

The game which was scheduled to have been played here last night between Sparta and Flat Rock was again called off. Joe Bill Reed, coach, stated.

This is the second time the game has been postponed.

Much Interest In Sparta H. S. Tournament; Finals Friday

The intramural tournament at Sparta high school got underway Tuesday afternoon at the local gym when local fans and high school students saw high school basketball at its best. The gym was crowded for the opening games, it was reported. Finals will be played tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. The eleventh grade girls will play the winners of today's game, and the ninth grade boys will clash with the boys' winners.

The eleventh grade girls defeated the hard-fighting tenth grade lassies in the game yesterday afternoon when an extra playing period was necessary to end the game 29-26. High scorer for the winners was Mitchell, and Woodruff for the losers.

In the boys' game for the afternoon, the ninth grade boys crushed the eighth graders 13-1. Tommy Reeves was high scorer for the winners. Joe McMillan scored the only point made for the losers.

In the opening games on Tuesday, the ninth grade girls won a 20-8 victory over the eighth grad-

ers. In a close game, the eleventh grade boys defeated the tenth graders 14-11. The schedule for today is as follows: Today, 2:10 p. m., ninth grade girls vs. twelfth grade girls; 2:40 p. m., ninth grade boys vs. twelfth grade boys. The tournament is being sponsored by the Sparta Monogram club to secure funds to pay for the new equipment obtained for the athletic department. Officials for the tournament are Dr. T. Roy Burgess and Bill Reeves.

WATER FEES TO BE PAID AT NU-WAY CO.

Citizens of the town of Sparta are reminded that town water and town taxes are payable at the office of the Nu-Way Electric and Plumbing Service, located directly across the street from the post office. Taxes were previously paid in the courthouse.

Total Of \$437.12 Is Reported By Chairman Irwin

All Contributions Not Yet In; Final Reports Are Needed

With some contributions still scheduled to come in, reports yesterday from the Red Cross Campaign fund drive chairman, Carl Irwin showed \$437.12 collected against the quota of \$390, thus giving the county a margin of \$47.12.

Mr. Irwin pointed out that there were still some collections from Piney Creek and elsewhere to be turned in that should swell the total even more. He urged that all workers that have not turned their contributions to do so at once.

The following report by townships given by Chairman Irwin yesterday: Gap Civil with quota of \$120.00 raised \$169.50; Glade Creek with quota of \$70.00 raised \$85.50; Cranberry with quota of \$30.00 raised \$43.25; Whitehead with quota of \$30.00 raised \$31.00; Cherry Lane with quota of \$30.00 raised \$30.57; Prather's Creek with quota of \$40.00 raised \$44.00; Piney Creek with quota of \$70.00 has reported \$33.30 so far.

Individual contributions not previously published include the following:

Farmers Hardware, Cash and Carry, Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home, Northwestern Bank, \$10.00 each; Alton Thompson, \$2.50.

J. Kemp Doughton, Ray Hampton, Mrs. Laura B. Rutherford, Castevens Motor Co., Auto Sales Co., \$5.00 each.

Jim Left Osborne, Fred Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mc Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Murray, Mrs. S. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoppers, Higgins Barber Shop, Higgins and Evans Jewelry Co., J. P. Absher, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Nichols, Sparta Cleaners, \$2.00 each.

R. G. Warden, Miss Dorothy Black, D. J. Jones, C. E. Jones, C. B. Taylor, Mrs. E. S. Mitchell. (Continued on Page 4)

Sheriff, 18 Men Raid Stills, Wed.

Two Outfits In Locust Knob Section Are Destroyed By Officers

Sheriff Glenn D. Richardson, assisted by 18 Allegheny men, made raids on three stills here in the county yesterday destroying approximately 22,000 gallons of beer.

Two stills, located in the Locust Knob section in the Cherry Lane township, each having a 50-gallon boiler, were completely destroyed by the sheriff and his men. Neither were in operation although 17,000 gallons of beer were destroyed.

The third, located near Cumberland Knob, had a 50-gallon boiler also and approximately 500 gallons of beer were destroyed there.

Stores To Close Easter Monday

Sparta merchants will observe a holiday Easter Monday as will some other business establishments, and offices.

As pointed out by merchants this has been a custom for some time and gives owners as well as employees some extra time off for the holiday.

According to reports of the merchants there will be plenty of dyed Easter eggs, baskets and bunnies for the younger set and milder will be found in a flower-bedecked basket for the occasion, judging from the merchandise sold.

Business this week has been unusually good, most merchants report.

The county commissioners will also observe the holiday and will meet on Tuesday instead of Monday, it was announced.