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THURSDAY, JUNE 20

Senate and House conferees agree to exempt 18-year-olds from the draft and take youths of 19, opening the way for a quick extension of selective service for nine months after July 1.

Foreign ministers in meeting at Paris virtually agree to delay decision on Italian colonies and refer the issue to the United Nations if the four nations are still divided at the end of the year.

The International Emergency Food Council set up to funnel the world's spare food to hungry countries.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

The Hobbs "antiracketeering act" passed the Senate, and goes to President Truman for his signature, despite bitter opposition from labor leaders. The bill would outlaw the hindrance of interstate commerce by "actual or threatened force, or violence or fear of injury, immediate or future." The act is aimed at the union practice of stopping trucks in New York, Philadelphia and other cities and forcing a farmer or other driver to employ a "union" driver to move his product.

Seven persons die in Dallas, Texas, of injuries sustained when an explosion of unknown origin demolishes the basement and first floor of the Baker hotel. Forty-one others injured.

The cost of living continues to spiral upward with the announcement by OPA of a 40 1-2 cents per ton average increase in soft coal prices. A Harlan county, Kentucky, operator immediately termed the permitted increase "too low."

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

Belt-tightening became the national fashion Saturday as bread and meat became scarcer than at any time during the war. Coupled with the gloomy announcement that supplies would continue to remain short during June was the statement that in July, it was "believed" that the bread and meat supply should start increasing.

From Detroit came a prediction that automobile production, if no more strikes occurred, would reach a new postwar high in July or early August. (To which we can't refrain from adding an editorial "wonder how they figured that out" and comment that it would not take a whale of a lot to reach that "new postwar high.")

The question of ending price ceilings on meat, poultry, milk and tobacco continued to claim attention in Washington, with other related matters.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

An earthquake hit the coastal section of Washington state and Canada, swaying tall structures but causing no loss of life. A 300-foot high hillside near Cambell river, British Columbia, was moved 35 feet, a wall was shaken down at the Courtenay, British Columbia, post office, several chimneys were jarred loose and a few buildings shook out of line.

Thurman Chatham of the Chatham blanket family conceded victory to his opponent, Representative John H. Folger as returns in their run-off primary in the Fifth congressional district showed Folger leading 24,549 to 21,832, with one precinct unreported.

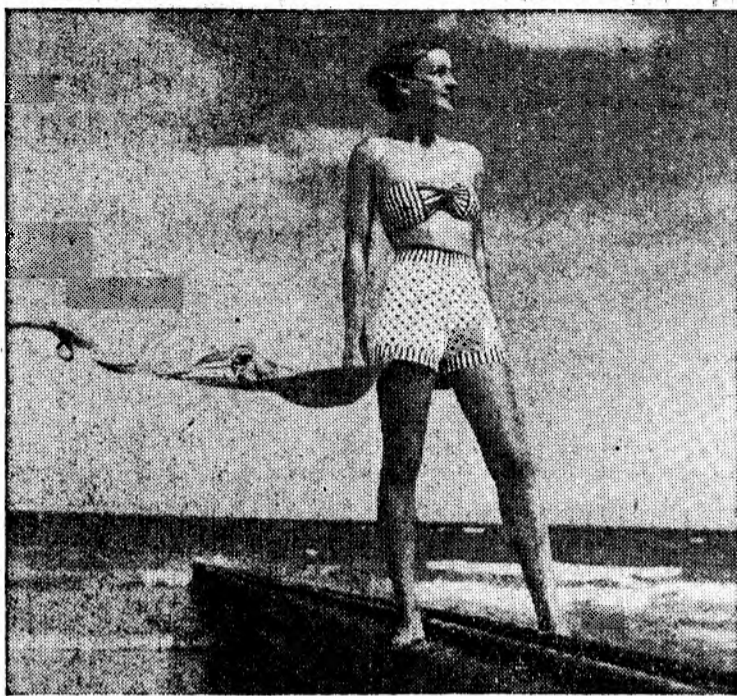
In Vienna, Austria, two MPs were wounded by four Russian soldiers as the Americans attempted to halt the occupants of a stolen jeep, and later a Russian soldier was shot by American soldiers.

MONDAY, JUNE 24

An eight-year-old girl was found, suffering from hunger and insect bites, after having been lost in the Ozark mountains for eight days. The child lived in Kansas City, Mo., and was found near Fayetteville, Arkansas. While lost, she managed to live on spring water and wild berries.

A delegation of Tar Heels automatically endorsed army engineer plans to build four flood

Daring Sun Suit



White Wesley Simpson cotton bathing suit with scarlet sun-splashes, and sunspots is shown above as pictured in the June issue of Town & Country magazine. The strapless bra measures your sunburn with nice accuracy for strapless evenings later.

Maxton Community Clubs, Inc., Has Formal Opening Monday Night

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS THE FIRST NIGHT

The formal opening of Maxton Community Clubs, Inc., the jointly operated city civic center formerly directed by United Service Organization and built during the war years at a cost of over \$22,000, was attended by an overflow crowd of 200 persons Monday night.

The new center is under the combined sponsorship of seven outstanding Maxton clubs—the Mormax club, the Woman's club, the American Legion, the Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion auxiliary, the Junior Woman's club, and the Home Demonstration club—and one member from each club has been elected to serve on a board of directors. The activities of the club will be under the supervision of this combination board.

The doors to the new civic center were opened at 7:30 and one hour later more than 200 persons had registered their names with the two receptionists, Mrs. J. H. MacKinnon and Mr. E. P. Williams, as the people of Maxton, eager to show their interest in the new project, packed the building. All the names of those registering opening night will be transcribed to a scroll and this scroll will be donated to the building.

An attractive opening night program was arranged by Mrs. G. P. MacKinnon, president of the Woman's club. Dr. Louis C. LaMotte, president of Presbyterian Junior college, led the opening prayer. Then the entire throng of well-wishers joined in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

Mr. O. H. Broadway, local manager of the Carolina Power and Light company, made a short address titled "Amusements of Yesterday and Today." After congratulating the town on the splendid new recreation building and recalling many amusing anecdotes concerning the amusement of yesterday and how times had changed, Mr. Broadway turned from the lighter vein.

"Recreation," he declared, "is a medium to refresh our tired minds and bodies. In seeking recreation, we seek to do the things we like to do most that are also beneficial. controls dams in the Yadkin valley above North Wilkesboro at a cost of seven million dollars. The dams are for flood control.

An Army C-47 plane struck an automobile occupied by four people near Memphis, Tenn., shearing off the rear body section of the moving car and killing the two occupants of the back seat, Elex Bobo and Buddy Woodhouse of Crenshaw, Mississippi. Ernest Bobo, the driver, and his wife occupied the front seat and miraculously escaped injury.

The plane made a crash-landed safely at Memphis, with damaged landing gear.

Recreation today takes many forms, games and sports particularly. From them come unity and teamwork. This provides an additional incentive to character building—it is a very valuable connecting link."

Miss Mary McQueen, at the piano, then entertained the guests with an expert adaptation of Brahms Rhapsody in No. 2.

Mr. C. A. Hasty, mayor of Maxton and acting as chairman of the board of directors, explained the purpose of the building and the future operation of it. Under the direction of the board and Mrs. Glennie McCormac, who has been selected as club manager, the Maxton Community Clubs, Inc., will bring to the community an opportunity for integrated, fellowship that has never been offered before.

The building has been leased from the town of Maxton. It will be operated and kept up by the corporation. The Maxton Community Clubs, Inc., has agreed to assume all operating repairs and keep up the insurance on the building. By-laws of the corporation have been drawn up by the directors and a charter has been applied for in Raleigh.

Membership cards were designed and will be issued to all club members and their families. The Boy Scouts, the teenage group and students of Presbyterian Junior college also have been granted the privilege of purchasing membership cards. Membership cards are not transferable and entitle the holder full privileges of the building as long as he abides by the laws governing its operation. If not the card will be forfeited.

Each club will have the privilege of using the building for its regular monthly meetings without charge. It has also been emphasized that no script dances will be held by Maxton Community Clubs, Inc.

Rev. T. Layton Fraser, pastor of the Presbyterian church, brought to the guests a special musical program, which was excellently received.

Mr. F. C. Frostick, representing the town of Maxton, presented keys to the building to the presidents of the seven clubs as follows: McKay MacKinnon of the Mormax club, Fairley Morris of the American Legion, Mrs. R. A. McLeod of the American Legion Auxiliary, C. A. Hasty of the Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Glen Crofton of the Junior Woman's club, Mrs. G. P. MacKinnon of the Woman's club and Mrs. R. M. Knight in absence of Mrs. E. A. Helleckson of the Home Demonstration club.

After singing, "God Bless America," the formal part of the program was adjourned and open house was held at the club with the snack bar and all facilities open for inspection and patronage. The Junior Woman's club sponsored a dance. Music was furnished by Alton Munn and his orchestra.

Britt Wins Over Chason In Run-Off Election For Sheriff

How They Voted Saturday

Precinct	Britt	Chason
Alfordsville	5	67
Back Swamp	121	29
Britts	385	87
Burnt Swamp	97	23
Fairmont No. 1	215	88
Fairmont No. 2	78	54
Gaddy	176	88
West Howellsville	329	95
East Howellsville	74	33
Lumber Bridge	22	102
Lumberton No. 1	216	244
Lumberton No. 2	154	249
Lumberton No. 3	365	171
Lumberton No. 4	293	95
Maxton	31	100
Orrum	176	82
Parkton	159	125
Pembroke	123	95
Philadelphus	90	36
Red Swamp	62	32
Red Springs	51	255
Rennert	42	29
Rowland	66	74
Saddle Tree	152	46
North St. Pauls	123	162
South St. Pauls	218	241
Shannon	6	54
Smiths	42	40
Smyrna	125	29
Sterlings	129	58
Thompson	55	28
Union	58	60
White House	50	56
Wishart	124	97
TOTAL	4,412	3,124

FOR RECORDER

Precinct	Johnson	Ross
Parkton	124	164
Rennert	33	38
North St. Pauls	159	124
South St. Pauls	270	201
TOTAL	586	527

New Stamp For Sugar Becomes Valid July 1

Housewives will get more canned sugar July 1 when spare stamp 10 becomes valid for five pounds, Theodore S. Johnson, OPA director, said today.

Johnson explained that this is the final stamp of the year for canning sugar, as no easing of the sugar situation is expected before 1947.

Although it is expected that 750,000 tons of sugar will be available this year for home canning sugar, compared with 500,000 tons during 1945, Johnson urged housewives not to use spare stamp 10 unless the sugar is actually needed for home canning.

A recent report was circulated that coffee stamp 49 had become valid for sugar purchases, but this is completely erroneous, Johnson said. Spare stamp 49 became good on May 1, and the next regular stamp fortable sugar will not be valid until September 1, he said.

Opening Dates For Markets To Be Set By TCUS This Week

The Tobacco Association of the United States will hold its annual meeting in Raleigh on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week. Opening dates for the 1946 flue-cured tobacco marketing season will be decided at the meeting. On Wednesday, the tobacco exporters association will hold its meeting, and the Tobacco Association meeting will open Thursday.

Buyer allotments, sales time for each auction day, rate and speed of sales, poundage limits and other related matters will be discussed and acted upon at the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Byrne are spending a few days at Long Beach.

Mrs. I. S. Broom and Mr. and Mrs. John Hicks spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Rogers and children of Whiteville spent Sunday with Miss Jane Council.

Johnson Elected New Recorder

Shepherd, Page Tie For Constable

Willis C. Britt defeated Billy F. Chason in the run-off primary Saturday for sheriff of Robeson county, receiving 1288 votes more than Chason.

The unofficial vote was Britt 4,412; Chason 3,124.

In the St. Pauls district Recorder's run-off, A. B. Johnson defeated the present Recorder, Clayton Ross, by a 59-vote majority, the total tally being 586 for Jordan and 527 for Ross.

In the race for constable of Gaddy township, Lee Shepherd, present constable, and W. E. Page tied for the post with 134 votes each. Registrar C. R. Miller reported that a counting of the ballots three times showed the same result—a tie.

The result was certified Monday morning to the Robeson county board of elections as 134 to 134, and County Attorney Henry McKinnon said the law made no provision for a third primary, adding that the county board of elections would probably have to decide the winner. He asked for a ruling from the state board of elections in Raleigh.

Juniors Make It Six Straight; Play Here Today

Red Springs Junior American Legion team made it six straight Monday by defeating the Laurinburg Juniors on their home grounds, 8-6, in a game featured by the hitting of the Springers and the changing of decisions by Laurinburg's midget umpire.

Winning it the hard way, the Springers banged out 11 hits while Welsh and McKeithan were allowing the Scotties but 8. Beck led at the plate with 3 safeties for 4 trips to the bat, while Kinlaw, Moser, McKeithan, Melvin and Wright each got two hits and Poole accounted for the 14th one. Only Currie, Conoly and Welsh going without safe taps.

Opening the first inning the Springers gathered six hits and scored 4 runs, got another run in the sixth, and hit safely 4 times in the ninth to score 3 runs.

For Laurinburg, Sanford and Shives hit twice each. Sanford went the route on the mound and struck out 12 Springers, while Welsh pitched 6 innings and McKeithan three, and together handed 13 Scotties.

Red Springs made three double plays which considerably slowed down the Scotties scoring, yet one of these was annulled when the midget umpire who needed a stepladder to see over Beck's shoulder reversed a decision that put men on first and second safe.

GAME TODAY

Red Springs plays host to Fayetteville at Robbins Park this afternoon for the first of two games with the Cumberland lads. They meet at Fayette Park on July 1. Tomorrow the Springers go to Rowland and on July 3 Rowland comes to Robbins Park for the final game of the elimination series.

Should Red Springs get by these two opponents without a loss, the local Legion team is assured entry in the play-off with winners of the first and third groups in Eastern Carolina, games of the playoff being scheduled to start July 5-6.

CURTIS GENTRY

Curtis W. Gentry, son of J. W. Gentry of Red Springs route two, was discharged from the navy Saturday at Charleston, S. C., with the rank of Pharmacist Mate.

Young Gentry entered the navy on March 14, 1944, and spent a total of 27 months in navy service. He served seven months of this time overseas, serving in the Pacific theatre of war.

HEADS SYMPHONY



Spencer Murphy, well known editor of the Salisbury Post, who was recently elected president of the North Carolina Symphony Society. He succeeds Harry F. Comer, Executive Secretary of the University of North Carolina YMCA, who resigned recently after two years as head of the Society.

A graduate of the University class of 1925, Mr. Murphy has been a member of the staff of the Post for 10 years and became editor in 1936.

Last year Mr. Murphy as chairman of the Symphony expansion program in his section of the state, conducted a successful campaign.

Maxton Named Training Center

Raleigh.—An emergency program to provide classroom space for 41,000 would-be ex-GI scholars gained further momentum as a special committee of educators adopted proposals for opening 32 college centers in at least 23 North Carolina communities. So far as is known, this is the first such program in the nation.

The school are tentatively scheduled to open their doors by September in Raleigh, Charlotte, Rocky Mount, Asheville, Greensboro, Elizabeth City, Concord, Salisbury, Shelby, Wilson, Maxton, Davidson, Durham, Salemburg, Statesville, Winston-Salem, Lumberton, Hickory, Gastonia, Goldsboro, Henderson, Wilmington. Additional sites may be announced following the committee's next meeting in late July.

The reconversion era schools will operate on full college level, the committee announced under the administration of public school authorities, local colleges and the Greater University of North Carolina.

Financed largely through tuition authorized the individual veteran under the GI Bill of Rights, the schools will provide facilities, the committee said, for the "thousands of returning servicemen unable to enter our standard colleges" due to crowded conditions.

Only Solution

The educators, working as a steering committee of a special commission appointed by Governor Cherry, described the novel plan as practically the only solution to the overcrowding experienced at North Carolina's 55 accredited white and Negro colleges and universities. Although some college heads had suggested use of abandoned army installations in the state as "GI universities," the committee claimed the centers were the more logical answer to the need.

Located in strategic points throughout the state, the college centers will permit students to study, in many cases, in their own home towns, and Veterans Administration representatives promised that expenses for qualified ex-GIs would be paid by the government within set limits.

Registration

A preliminary registration will be held for interested students at local school board offices July 23-24, the committee announced. On the basis of the registration, the educators said, they would determine the specific facilities and number of instructors necessary for each of the proposed schools.

In some instances, however, Dr. J. E. Hillman, committee

District Engineers Will Take Over Army Air Base First Week In July

MAXTON OFFICE MOVES

The Maxton office of the Scottish Citizen will be located in the now vacant offices in the hotel block on Main street after the first of July.

It is requested that all persons having news items, social notices or advertising bring them to the new office after the above date. The telephone number, 59-W, will not be changed.

Since publication date has been changed from Friday to Wednesday it is important that all copy reach the paper by Monday night at the very latest.

MAXTON SELECTIVE SERVICE OFFICE HAS RESIGNATION

Miss Gloria George has submitted her resignation as chief clerk in the Maxton Selective Service office and it will take effect on the first of July. This will mean, in all probability, that a new clerk will be sent from Raleigh to take charge of the local offices, now located above the post office.

Miss George has been associated with the Selective Service board in Maxton for three years and nine months. She served as assistant when Paul Sullivan was in charge of the local office. When he left to accept a position as field director with the Red Cross, she assumed the duties of chief clerk.

She has announced that her new work will be in Red Springs with the Red Springs Supply Co.

Indian Held For Superior Court

James Willie Jones, 26-year-old Indian of Lumberton, was bound over to Robeson Superior court on a charge of breaking and entering the Diamond sandwich shop on the Elizabethtown road in a preliminary hearing in Recorder's court in Lumberton. A \$400 bond was set.

Police Chief Randall Stephens stated that Jones, who resides near the scene of the crime, was arrested Saturday night. In addition to the breaking and entering count, Jones is charged with breaking a picolo and a pay telephone and with stealing two cases of beer. The crime was committed last Tuesday night.

His trial will probably be held at the next term of Superior court.

DR. R. D. CROOM, JR.

Dr. R. D. Croom, Jr., Maxton physician, has announced a change of offices effective the first of July. After that date he will be located in the offices formerly occupied by Dr. J. O. McLelland.

Dr. Croom's offices will occupy the entire ground floor of the Carpenter Building. The rooms formerly used by the Scottish Citizen will be used for waiting rooms, Dr. Croom has announced.

Miss Kitty Williams of Florence, S. C., spent Sunday with her sister, Miss Anne Williams. Miss Alice Hall and Jim Hall spent the weekend at Myrtle Beach.

chairman, explained, the results of the registration may indicate that locations of some of the schools should be changed.

"Generally, the plan is that centers will be opened only in communities where there are at least 25 students interested in enrolling."

The steering committee will meet again on July 29 to study results of the registration and to make final approval of center plans, he said.

Ready By Fall
Barring unexpected difficulties, Dr. Hillman emphasized, "we expect to have a majority of students ready to fall."

Commanding Officer Announces Transfer

The Laurinburg-Maxton army air base will be officially taken over by district engineers of Savannah, Ga., on or about July 6, Lieut. Col. B. L. Neal, commanding officer, has announced.

The engineers are custodians and future disposition of the buildings will be at their discretion. Permission to use the buildings was originally granted by division engineers of Atlanta and district engineers of Savannah is a sub-unit of that organization.

A complete inspection of the base will be made the first week in July by district engineers. If general existing conditions are satisfactory, they will take immediate possession.

At that time all army personnel will be transferred from the base except those officers on temporary duty, such as the salvage officer and the supply officer. Base personnel will report to other units of the Third Air Force either at Pope Field, Greenville Army Air Base, or Bergstrom Field at Austin, Texas.

There are now 23 officers stationed as a skeleton crew at the base, 180 civilians are still employed and there are 25 enlisted personnel. About 25 civilians, primarily utility men such as electricians and firemen, will remain on the base as housekeepers.

At present the Scotland County Memorial Hospital association has taken control of the air-base hospital property and Presbyterian Junior college is operating a flying school on the property and has occupied most of the hangar buildings.

Lieut. Col. Neal, who has been commanding officer of the base for approximately seven months, recently stated, "We have received utmost cooperation through USO and civic organizations in Maxton and Laurinburg. Both towns were quite helpful in all respects."

Southeastern Institute Holding Daily Sessions

With the half way mark already passed, the 1946 session of the Southeastern Institute for Commercial Organization Executives at Chapel Hill is drawing to a successful conclusion.

The Southeastern Institute is one of six similar centers serving the entire nation. Its purpose is to train local leaders to increase the prosperity and well-being of their community by showing them new, improved methods to insure economic progress.

Sessions have included classes, lectures, forums and discussion periods with special emphasis on opportunities in North Carolina.

George F. Cuthrell, Jr., manager of the Chamber of Commerce, is representing Maxton at the Southeastern Institute.

Prominent Rowland Legionnaire Dies

John Walter Bullock, 55, died suddenly near his home in Rowland Saturday morning about 10 o'clock. He was adjutant of Rowland American Legion post for several years.

Funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon at 4:30. Burial was in Ashpole cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Mary Annie Watson; a son, two sisters and a brother. He was the son of the late Evander and Mrs. Mary Hamer Bullock of Rowland.

The students of Presbyterian Junior college summer school have elected John Duke of Newland, Ga., to represent them as student body president. Rufus Cole of Fayetteville was named as vice president.

These student officers will continue to serve through the second term of the summer session which will commence on July 22.