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ROCKINGHAM, N. C., WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 19, 1946

STORES TO CLOSE FOURTH OF JULY

Assistant to Secretary. The directors of the Merchants Association met June 18th and employed Miss Doris Stanley as an assistant to Mrs. A. N. Gillis, the Secretary.

Road to Be Paved from East Rockingham

Bids are to be received at Raleigh June 25th for grading and paving the road from the Beaunit mills at East Rockingham, eastward to Hamlet thru Hyland avenue.

At the same time, bids will be received to grade and pave 4.39 miles from south of Rockingham by way of the new airport to No. 77 (between Hamlet and Cheraw).

Boxing at Bennettsville.

John Wilder is taking a group of local boxers to Bennettsville the night of June 28th to take part in a boxing program sponsored by the VFW.

William White in Pacific.

William F. White, S 1-c, is now getting the home paper way out in the Pacific—at the Naval Air Base on an island in the Marshall group.

Shirley to Graduate.

Miss Shirley Brown tonight, June 19th, receives her diploma at the University of South Carolina. She is graduating with an A. B. degree, majoring in Sociology.

Mrs. Hooks Comes Home.

Mrs. Charles H. Hooks and three children came back from Norfolk last week and for the present are with her sister, Mrs. D. S. (Virginia) Flowers, north of town.

SOAP BOX DERBY

Harvey McDonald to Go.

Rockingham is to be represented in the state-wide Soap Box derby in Charlotte June 27 by wee-mite Harvey McDonald, son of Woodrow McDonald.

Harvey gave his new homemade speed-wagon a try-out Tuesday afternoon on the Lawrence street hill. The midget car shows plenty of speed.

The car will weigh between 120 and 135 pounds. Harvey is just 12 years old—born June 11, 1934. He weighs 67 pounds.

He is being sponsored by the Rockingham Ice & Coal company—for Bert McLaurin and J. G. Bryant are always interested in the boys. Back in the late thirties, Mr. McLaurin sponsored a similar derby each year.

Roy Singleton at Home.

Cpt. Wm. Royal Singleton received his discharge June 12th at Ft. Bragg, and is now at home at Marston, but visiting around for a spell—Blanche and little blonde daughter Nancy. Roy was inducted Feb. 29, '44—ought never to forget Leap Year 1944.

Olen Smith Moving Old-Lewis Dwelling.

A house-moving outfit from Statesville is this week moving the house next to the Olen Smith-Perry Covington Sinclair station, across street from the grammar school. The house was built about 40 years ago by John Lewis. Olen Smith recently bought the property, and is having the house moved from fronting Washington street, northward so it will front Greene street—between the Entwistle apartment and the new home of Mrs. W. L. Parsons.

CHRYSLER FOR SALE

For sale or trade, a 1937 4-door Chrysler sedan, with radio, heater, over-drive. Reasonable. See Valley Allen at Allen's store, or phone 136 or 584-M.

NEW PLANES HERE

25 Men Taking Lessons. One Woman to Solo. Airport a Busy Place.

The Rockingham-Hamlet airport, 3 miles from each town, is a busy place these days. Recently a strong wire fence, with lock gate, was erected around the north portions of the field.

In this county now are about 100 pilots, many of them trainees from Foy Barwick, operator of the airport. And Barwick has a class of 25 students now taking lessons.

The first woman in the county to solo or learn to fly is Mrs. Bert McLaurin. She did her "solo" today, June 19th.

On June 13th three new Ercoupe planes were bought and brought here. They are alike, silver aluminum two-passenger planes costing \$3200. One belongs to Dentist Reid Garrett, just learning to fly; one to Mr. and Mrs. Bert McLaurin, bought for young Joe Mack who is a good pilot now; and one for Harry Patterson and Lester Adcock (they went to New York last week and flew it back to Rockingham).

Also, Foy Barwick has bought for the port an army Stinson Reliance, seating five people; he brought it by truck from Norfolk and is getting it in shape for commercial work—for cross-country charter trips.

Yes, the county airport is a busy place; and on June 25th the State Highway Commission is to award the contract for grading and paving the road that runs by the airport, connecting Rockingham with the Hamlet-Cheraw paved road (No. 77).

The Fields to Greensboro.

The W. R. Fields family have bought a house in Greensboro at 2206 Glenwood street. The family have moved to that city from Hamlet. Mr. Fields and Fitzhugh Parker work there, hence the move. Mrs. Fields was the former Minnie Howell, sister of Joe.

AUTOPSY AT DUKE COLORED WOMAN

Body Sent to Durham Today. She Died Saturday Night Outside of Hamlet.

A colored woman's body was found early Sunday morning behind some bushes in the colored school grounds on the Laurinburg highway southeast edge of Hamlet; had evidently been dead for several hours; name Edna Hicks. Coroner (Continued on Page Four)

7 GET DIVORCES

Court Lasted 4 Hours.

Superior Court was in session but two hours this week—convening Monday at 10 and quitting for the week at noon.

There were 22 divorce cases set for trial, but only seven were handled—all uncontested. Here are the seven who got freed from each other:

Harreton from Edw. Cherry Cecil from Cora E. Johnson Hattie from Joseph Wojick R. D. from Christine Brown. Pauline from Lloyd Jones. Dorothy from N. L. Rice. E. B. from Ethel Napier.

NINE GO FT. BRAGG FOR EXAMINATION

Listed for June 27th.

Three young white men left this Wednesday morning for Ft. Bragg for induction—Eli W. English Jr., George A. Roberts and John D. Thrower. A fourth, Glenn Thompson, also went to the post but he is a Negro.

The board of nine of the young 9 white men to go to Ft. Bragg on June 27th for examination; they will meet at the postoffice at 9 a. m. Some of these have been written in in order to learn their occupational status, but they made no reply; and so the supposition is they are ready and eligible to go.

The nine men are: Raymond Lester Cox 8-4-19 Oscar W. Dawkins 2-15-26 John Henry Hatcher 5-22-26 Arthur T. Hutchinson 6-15-19 Albert Eli Shankle 4-27-23 Paul V. O'Shields 11-15-24 Marvin C. Solomon m 8-18-18 Charles J. Stogner 2-7-25 Grayson B. Watson 7-9-19

DEATHS

JIM WOOD G. ED. HINSON MRS. A. M. GIBSON MISS LULA LITTLE TROY LEE WILSON MRS. SALLIE SHANKLE

HANNAH PICKETT THEATRE PHONE 297-R

Thurs.-Fri., June 20-21 "That's The Spirit" Jack Oakie Peggy Ryan Buster Keaton

Saturday, June 22 DOUBLE FEATURE "The Cherokee Flash" Sunset Carson "Pillow of Death" Lon Chaney Brenda Joyce Chapter No. 10 "Federal Operator"

Late Show Sat. Nite 9:45. "Bell Of The Yukon" Technicolor Randolph Scott Dinah Shore Gypsy Rose Lee Comedy

Sun.-Mon., June 23-24 "Duffy's Tavern" Bing Crosby Betty Hutton Alan Ladd Comedy

SECOND PRIMARY THIS SATURDAY

Voting from 6:30 to 6:30. 6532 Votes Cast May 25th. About 4850 in 2nd Primary.

The second primary is to be held this Saturday, June 22nd. In the first primary May 22nd a total of 6532 votes were cast, but it is hardly likely there will be more than 4500 to 5000 cast this Saturday.

It might interest you readers to know how many votes were cast May 25th by townships. Here are the figures:

Table with 2 columns: Township and Votes. Includes Rockingham (2072), Wolf Pit (1848), Marks Creek (1780), Mineral Springs (375), Beaver Dam (192), Steele's (139), Black Jack (26).

Here is the ballot to be voted on this Saturday. The Post-Dispatch will as usual prepare a chart at the courthouse Saturday night, and tabulate the returns from every precinct. And then Sunday morning you can read the tabular results on the Harvey Hough hardware window, in front of the Post-Dispatch office.

Remember, the polls open at 6:30 and close at 6:30.

June 22, 1946.

SHERIFF:

- RAYMOND W. GOODMAN CARL HOLLAND

LEGISLATURE:

- TOMMY BALDWIN GEORGE S. STEELE

COMMISSIONERS: (Rockingham)

- LEO ELLERBE JOHN F. HAMER (Wolf Pit)

- JULIAN P. GADY EARL GREENE

- (Marks Creek) ARTHUR CAPEL TOM ORMSBY

CONSTABLES: (Rockingham)

- BEN BLACKMON LEON PATTERSON

- (Wolf Pit) LUKE CHILDERS EVERETT TERRY

Licenses Issued for Marriages

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June 12—George D. Snell 24, Hamlet, Miss Lois C. Peele, 20. June 13—Clifton R. McLeod and Miss Anne Nicholson, Ellerbe.

June 15—Berchel Lee McNeely Jr., 21, of Bethune, Miss Frances Earline McKenzie 18, Rockingham.

June 15—John Raymond Smith 33, Mrs. Colleen McLendon Cobb 22.

June 15—Amiel Demi Pegram 23, Miss Ida Marie Martin 19, Ellerbe.

June 15—Jesse Davis and Lugenia Bostick, colored, Ellerbe section.

Taylor Family Come.

The W. S. Taylor family moved here June 12th from Fayetteville—Tommie and Timmie. They are in an apartment over Bob's Cleaners until they can locate a house. Mr. Taylor came here last fall and opened on Oct. 3rd a radio shop on Pearl street. Recently he rented the former Slack shop and will move in shortly with a first-class radio and sales service.

An interesting fact is that his father is a Methodist preacher and his wife's father is an Episcopal rector.

MEMORIALS

In Memory, Loved Ones. For Memorial Hospital.

Among the Memorials given to the Memorial Hospital since last week's issue of this paper, we note:

T. P. and M. L. Wood in memory of Lila Phillips Wood and T. P. Wood Sr. 1000 Mrs. Robt. E. Little, in memory of parents, Mr.-Mrs. W. L. Parsons 1000 Robt. L. Johnson in memory of his mother, Mrs. Rosa L. Johnson 500 Mrs. Mial W. Leak, in memory of her husband, Mial W. Leak, \$500.

Memory of Lieut. Wm. L. Covington Jr. 500 In memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weill, comes from "some of the Weill boys" 175

Other Contributors:

James B. Parsons \$25 E. B. Liles store (5) four days' pay. W. S. Thomas 50 Mrs. W. S. Thomas 25 Dr.-Mrs. W. P. Webb 50 Geo. H. McFadden Bros., Memphis, Tenn. 500 Crepsi & Co., Memphis 100 Mrs. G. C. Baldwin 5 Fred W. Lucas & Co. Memphis, Tenn. 100 Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hutchinson 10 W. L. May 25 J. G. Jackson & Co. Greenville, S. C. 100

Jimmie Johnson at Ellerbe.

Rev. Jimmie Johnson begins a two weeks' revival in the Methodist church at Ellerbe this Sunday night, June 23rd, at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to every service.

What Landlords Do to Remodel

Raleigh, June 19—Landlords who find it necessary to apply for eviction permits in order to substantially alter or remodel housing accommodations should apply to their OPA Area Rent office, J. Frank McInnis, State OPA Rent Executive, said today.

McInnis said that the first requirement of landlords facing essential alterations or remodeling is to get a permit.

Lieut. Luther Ervin Pendergrass sailed on the Cape Clear from Japan on June 8th for California—and home.

Hietts Own Own Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Hiett (the former Johnnie Boggan), have recently moved into their own home at 132 Prospect avenue, Findlay, Ohio.

3 BOOTLEGGERS WHOLESALERE RAID

14 half-gallon Jars of Monkey Rum Greene Street. Police Chief is Detective. Retailed \$4.00 a Pint.

Police Chief Louis Allen played the role of detective Monday night, and as a result three negro bootleggers of Greene street were arrested and are to be tried in County Court June 25th.

The three are Tom Terry and T. Gene Leak, old offenders, and Staley McDonald. Each posted \$100 cash bond for appearance for trial. Evidently business has been good with them.

Especially since the whiskey retails at \$4 a pint—and it costs the bootlegger \$15 a gallon. The stuff is called Monkey Rum, because it is made chiefly from molasses.

Chief Allen put on some old clothes, a slouch hat and pair of spectacles Monday night about 11 o'clock and with another man, a stranger around here, went to Greene street (two blocks from the police station) in search of a liquor sale. He had no trouble buying it. Paid \$4 a pint for liquor from all three men—and used marked money. Then he came back up town, got several policemen and made the raids, with search warrants, on the houses of the three men. In all, the officers found fourteen half-gallon jars of the white lightning, most of it in a trap-door in the house of T. Gene Leak.

The three arrested men didn't seem to mind it much.

They'll tell it to Judge W. S. Thomas next Tuesday, or probably plead guilty and try to get off with a stiff fine; tho' their past liquor reputations may probably get them road sentences.

Just before Chief Louis Allen made his purchase Monday night he foraged around the neighborhood and found a tin of town but the bootleggers were luckily out of luck and no sales could be made; so he came on back to Greene street where it was plentiful. They say there's a headache in every whiff of the stuff; and an asbestos-lined stomach is needed to hold it.

Solicitor Committee To Meet Here Friday.

The committee for this 13th district of six counties will meet in Rockingham at the courthouse June 21 at 3 o'clock to select a nominee to fill the vacancy as Solicitor by the death June 12 of Solicitor Edwin H. Gibson of Laurinburg.

The foremost candidate seems to be Coble Funderburk of Monroe, who was runner-up to Mr. Gibson in the May 25th primary.

Rockingham's Finest Entertainment Centers! RICHMOND LITTLE. Wednesday, June 19 "SO GOES MY LOVE" Myrna Loy, Don Ameche. Thursday, June 20 "Sing Your Way Home" Jack Haley Anne Jeffreys. Friday-Saturday "Sante Fe Saddlemates" Sunset Carson. Sunday-Monday "THE FRENCH KEY" Albert Dekker Evelyn Ankers.

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STRAND. WED.-THURS. DOUBLE FEATURE Buster Crabbe Al (Fuzzy) St. John. "Mysterious Rider" AND JINX FALKENBURG "Talk About A Lady". FRI.-SAT. DOUBLE FEATURE BILL ELLIOTT "The Return Of Wild Bill" AND "Nabonga" BUSTER CRABBE PLUS WHO'S GUILTY No. 9. SUN.-MOND.-TUES. CHARLES BOYER JENNIFER JONES "Cluny Brown" News and Cartoon.

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Hamlet Theatre. THE BEST IN ENTERTAINMENT.—PHONE 77 HAMLET, N. C. THURSDAY and FRIDAY: "KITTY" PAULETTE GODDARD — RAY MILLAND. SATURDAY: "RENEZVOUS 24" WILLIAM GARGAN WILLIAM GORGAN "MOON OVER MONTANA" JIMMY WAKELY. SUNDAY and MONDAY: "RENEGADES" WILLIARD PARKER — EVELYN KEYES (In Color). TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY: "SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT" JOHN HODIAK — NANCY GUILD. COMING "THE BRIDE WORE BOOTS"