

The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

County Citizens Donate 615 Pounds Aluminum For National Defense

Jackson county citizens made a contribution of 615 pounds of aluminum during the recent nation-wide drive for that metal for National Defense, Dan Tompkins, National Defense Chairman of the county stated today. The metal collected at various points in the county, was brought to the central concentration point in Sylva by trucks of the North Carolina Highway and Public Works Commission, and by members of the staff of the county agent's office, Mr. Tompkins said. The highway trucks picked up the aluminum in Sylva and transported it to Asheville, from whence it will be shipped on order of the Office of Production Management and the National Defense Council.

In Sylva, a box was placed in front of the post office, and another concentration point was at the city hall. Many citizens brought their own aluminum contributions to one of these two places. The day before the drive for aluminum closed, Boy Scouts and Bartlett Cope made a canvass of the city in the town's truck.

SCHEDULE FOR COUNTY CLUBS FOR NEXT WEEK

The Home Demonstration clubs of Jackson County will meet during next week at the following places:

On Monday, August 8, at the home of Mrs. J. H. Gillis, in Webster; on Tuesday, August 19, a picnic at Qualla; on Wednesday, August 20, at the John's Creek school; on Thursday, August 21, with a picnic in Dillsboro at the home of Mrs. Weaver Mashburn; on Friday, August 22, on Cope Creek at the home of Mrs. Ben Crisp.

Miss Margaret Martin, Jackson's new home demonstration agent will be present at each of these meetings, and will be in her office at the court house in Sylva, on Saturday, August 23.

METZ URGES MEN DEFERRED TO HELP DEFENSE AGENCIES

All Selective Service registrants who have been deferred from military service today were urged by General J. Van B. Metz, State Director of Selective Service, to offer their full assistance to State and local civilian defense agencies.

Many young men have been granted deferment because of their occupation, because they have dependents or because they are not physically capable of undergoing service in the armed forces, the General said. Nevertheless, he added, they are qualified to perform some work in connection with civilian defense activities and should offer their services to existing agencies or those which are being organized.

By granting certain men deferment, Congress, when it adopted the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, gave no indication that it intended to excuse these men from the obligation which rests upon every young man—that of helping his country in times of emergency, General Metz declared. Each man is expected to do his share, in one way or another, when a crisis threatens the national security, he said.

General Metz quoted from a recent statement of Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service, as follows:

"Many of our young men have entered the armed forces, leaving at home others who for one reason or another have had their military training deferred. Those who remain owe it to those who have been called and owe it to their country to help in its defense when they are needed.

"They can do their part by offering their services in the interests of civilian defense."

Pointing out that the Office of Civilian Defense is coordinating civilian defense activities of the State and expanding them to communities where they are not organized as yet, the State Director said that in the very near future the vast majority of deferred registrants should be able to find a civilian defense activity where their services can be used. Such activities cover a wide range and should include a task for almost every young man who is deferred from military training for one reason or another.

A total of 379 Beaufort county farmers have signed as customers of a proposed REA light line, says W. L. McGahey, county agent.

AS WORLD EVENTS UNFOLD

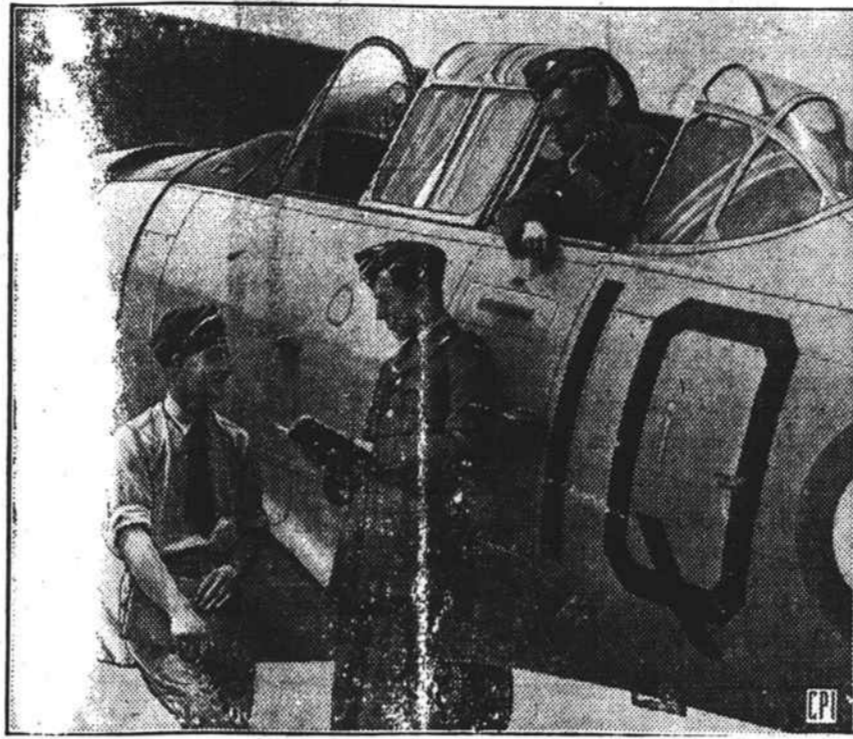
By DAN TOMPKINS

CHURCHILL and Roosevelt, meeting secretly, to preclude possibility of attack by submarines or planes, return to Washington and London with an 8-point peace program. No sane man, no reasonable man, no man who believes in his fellow men, or in the liberties of the peoples of the world can find fault with those aims. "We deem it right to make known certain common principles of the national policies of our respective countries on which we pin our hopes for a better future for the world." Then are laid down the 8 broad declarations. The United States and Britain seek no aggrandizement, territorial or other. They desire to see no territorial changes that do not accord with the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned. They respect the rights of all peoples to choose the form of government under which they will live and wish to see restoration of sovereign rights and self government to those forcibly deprived of them. They will endeavor to further the enjoyment of the trade and raw materials of the world by all states great or small, victor or vanquished. They desire to bring about the fullest collaboration between all nations on the economic front, to secure for all improved labor standards, economic advancement and social security. After the final destruction of the Nazi tyranny the two countries hope to see a peace which will assure to all nations the means of dwelling in safety within their own boundaries. That such a peace should assure freedom of the seas without hindrance to all men. That all nations must come to abandonment of the use of force and that since no future peace can be maintained unless aggressor nations are disarmed, the disarmament of such nations is essential. That is the big news of the week, overshadowing

JAPANESE SAUCINESS, a and threats of further aggression in the Pacific and Indian oceans quarters of the world, that apparently is drawing the United States nearer and nearer to the vortex of the cataclysm. Thumbing her nose at the United States and Britain, fattened upon the surrender to her. Indo-China by the puppet government of France, Japan is apparently preparing to move toward Singapore through Siam, toward the Dutch East Indies, endangering the Philippines, or into Siberia, bringing her within a few miles of the United States territory of Alaska on this continent. Backed by Germany, drunk with a false sense of her own importance, Japan is busy twisting the British Lion's tail, and pulling Uncle Sam's beard. Egged on by a nation of white men, these yellow men are considering themselves better than their betters, and are carrying on their campaign of aggression, aimed at the ultimate control of the Orient, and at a drive into India from the one side, while the Germans come in from the other. It was Japan who began this business of aggrandizement by conquest and undeclared war. She got away with it. Then Italy tried it in Ethiopia, and she also got away with it. Then Germany tried it on Austria, and then Czechoslovakia, and got away with it. Finally the wrath of the world broke, when Germany tried it on Poland, in collaboration with Russia, in the face of solemn promises to the contrary. Then the British world began to fight, but nation after nation fell before the onslaught. Now Russia, first partner of Germany in Poland, has become the latest (but by no means the last) victim. Japan, Italy, Germany, Russia, were working together, piecing up the jigsaw puzzle of their imperialistic plot against democratic institutions, and for the rape of democratic nations and peoples. Just how Japan

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The Lion's Cubs Foregather



—Passed by Censor.

IN this picture, typical of any of the air training schools in Canada, are seen (left to right) student airmen from Canada, Australia and New Zealand. They are enrolled in the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, the most gigantic enterprise of its kind in the world. It is now turning out thousands of pilots, gunners and observers at about twice the rate originally planned for this time. The plan now has 116 establishments of all kinds including 83 schools from coast to coast. Its estimated cost for a

period of three years is \$824,000,000 of which amount Canada will provide \$531,000,000 and also 80 per cent of the students. About 1,500 of the pupils trained or in training with the Royal Canadian Air Force are Americans and 600 American pilots are serving as instructors for the Air Training Plan. In addition to sending men overseas, the R.C.A.F., with planes on patrol duty throughout the Dominion and far out to sea on both coasts daily, is a powerful factor in Canada-United States Defense.

A. F. of L. Urges Price Control

Chicago, Ill. — Definite action to check price inflation was recommended by the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor at its summer session here.

Pointing out that "the national defense emergency has already boosted the cost of living to a dangerous degree," food prices have risen 10 percent in the past year, with rents increased and wholesale prices soaring upward from 13 to 17 percent, the Council said a serious price inflation would result in general disaster. The statement added:

"The Executive Council has given careful consideration to the message sent by President Roosevelt to Congress on this subject and agrees fully with the conclusions which he expressed as follows:

"Faced now with the prospect of inflationary price advances, legislative action can no longer prudently be postponed. Our national safety demands that we take steps at once to extend, clarify and strengthen the authority of the Government to act in the interests of the general welfare."

"The President asked for legislation including authority to establish ceilings for prices and rents, to purchase materials and commodities when necessary to assure price stabilization and to deal more extensively with excesses in the field of installment credit. This authority would last only during the emergency period.

"The President wisely refrained from including wages within the realm of this legislation. He recognized the need for wage adjustments from time to time to rectify economic injustices. He warned, however, that abnormal wage increases might seriously affect the nation's price structure.

"The Executive Council sees no immediate danger of 'abnormal' wage increases. Three major factors have made it only fair and just that wages should be lifted. These are higher living costs, increased profits of industry and the remarkable growing productivity of workers. In many industries one worker today produces what it took three workers to turn out only a few years ago. Thus, the wages of the individual worker can safely be raised without increasing the aggregate labor cost of the industry.

"The Executive Council urges Congress to give prompt consideration to the President's recommendations but it cautions against granting of too wide discretionary powers to the Federal

FORMER EDITOR OF FRANKLIN PRESS DIES

When any of the oldtimers in Western North Carolina think of newspapers, they also think of the name of Curtis. For many years William A. Curtis published the Franklin Press, and was succeeded in 1911 by his son, William T. Curtis, who published the paper until 1923, when he became a traveling salesman. Mr. Curtis died at his home on West Main street in Franklin, last Friday afternoon, at the age of 64, and funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church in Franklin on Sunday afternoon, by Rev. J. L. Stokes, and Rev. L. B. Hayes.

Surviving are the widow, two sons, Gaston of Atlanta, and J. Robert, of Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga.; two brothers, Henry of Sylva, and Clarence Curtis, of Brooklyn, Wash.; three sisters, Mrs. Florence Hampton, of Bryson City; Mrs. E. L. Ladd, of Gordonsville, Va., and Mrs. Judson Allen, of Cottage Grove, Ore., and a number of nieces and nephews.

Bob Reynolds Will Marry For Fifth Time

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, once fondly and facetiously called "Our Bob" by many North Carolinians, after he had conferred the title upon himself, is about to again become a benedict. Yes sir! Bob will take unto himself another wife, making the count now five in his fifty-seven years of life. This time, the pauper Bob, who made a canvass of the State in a worn out flivver, buying just enough gas to take him from one town to the next, will marry an heiress, the twenty-year old, socially prominent in Washington, Miss Evelyn W. McLean.

La Prensa, Argentina newspaper, says 270 clandestine schools are being operated in the Argentine by the Germans as one of the principal means of carrying out infiltration into that country.

agency which will administer the price control program. Congress should specifically limit the sphere of this agency's operations so as to safeguard to the fullest extent the normal functioning of the American system of enterprise. Industry as a whole favors the application of some measure of Federal price control for its own protection and the stabilization of production schedules. But there is a danger that the power to regulate prices may develop into power to regulate industry entirely. Congress, therefore, should take pains to hedge the grant of new powers within strict limits."

Chamber Of Commerce Calls County Citizens To Meet Here Monday Night

FEEDING BEAR DANGEROUS IN SMOKIES PARK

Visitors to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park are warned not to feed the bears and to keep a reasonable distance away from these bruisers which are to be seen along the roadsides. Persons who are hiking along the park trails need have no fear of these animals, although hikers who spend the night in the Appalachian Trail shelters or in tents pitched in remote areas of the park are advised to keep their food supplies outside their sleeping quarters and out of reach of the ever-hungry bears. A number of these animals, stimulated by sweets and other such desirable food items, have become overly bold and will permit rather close approach along the park's highways and it is these bears that become dangerous. Numerous visitors have been at fault. Some of the accidents have come about as follows:

One man was occupied with feeding candy to two small cubs when the mother bear appeared and insisted upon having some of the food. Shoving the big bear aside with one hand, the man continued offering bits of the candy to the cubs when suddenly he was struck a fierce blow in the face. The scars will probably remain for some time.

One person placed his foot upon a sandwich which some unthinking lady tossed out in front of a bear. The act may have been prompted by bravado; at any rate, the bite in the leg required medical attention.

A bear, prompted by the food which a lady kept offering to the animal, entered the car wherein this generous person was sitting. The lady's efforts to coax the bear out of the car resulted in injuries.

One man retreated to his car after the food which he had fed to a bear ran out. The bear followed him. The man then thought it might be interesting to see what the animal would do when a lighted cigarette was applied to the bear's nose. . . .

A number of persons have been injured who attempted to pose with a bear for a photograph. Numerous other incidents could be cited. All the injuries have come about due directly or indirectly to the feeding of these animals—a practice which is unlawful in all National Parks.

Bears have enormous appetites. Hands which feed them are occasionally bitten or scratched. The bruisers almost invariably insist upon more food and their insistence creates a hazardous situation.

Rangers are being stationed along highways in the park in an attempt to prevent injuries by bears, but there are more bears here than there are rangers. Park officials will either have to have the cooperation of all visitors in the matter of not feeding the bears or else the bears may have to be driven away from their haunts along park's highways. The latter expedient would be most unfortunate since visitors naturally enjoy seeing the bears. With complete cooperation from park visitors we can continue to view the bears and at the same time eliminate bear injuries.

Rev. G. N. Cowan, of Rocky Mount, will occupy the pulpit at the Sylva Baptist church, at both morning and evening services, on Sunday. Mr. Cowan is spending some time here as the guest of his brother, Mr. M. D. Cowan, and other relatives.

A call has been made by John R. Jones, manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce for a general meeting of the members and friends of the chamber, to be held at the community house in Sylva on Monday evening August 18, at 8:30 daylight saving time.

It is hoped by the officials of the chamber of commerce that there will be a large attendance of the citizenship of the county at the meeting. Refreshments will be served, and matters of much importance to the people of the county will be discussed by various citizens.

Mr. Jones stated that the work that the chamber of commerce has done thus far is showing much fruit, and that the cooperation of the citizenship of the county is solicited. "Make your plans to be at the community house in Sylva on Monday evening," Mr. Jones said.

LEGIONNAIRES HEAR MCMILLAN AT CHEROKEE

Many members of the American Legion from this part of North Carolina went to Cherokee on Sunday to attend the picnic by the Steve Youngdeer Post and to hear State Commander Roy McMillan.

Commander McMillan set forth the aims of the Legion, and asserted that the government of the United States has adopted as its foreign policy, the platform announced by the American Legion more than a decade ago. We have put our hand to the plow and there is no turning back, the Commander said. We as members of the American Legion are pledged to the support of Britain in hour of trial, by every means necessary to prevent a Hitler victory, as this way is the way of safety for our country and our democratic way of life. We are determined that Hitler shall not win and enslave the world; and the cause of freedom anywhere is the cause of the American Legion. The nation needs the Legion as never before, and the Legion has become the strong right arm of the government in this super-crisis.

The Cherokee women served barbecued lamb and barbecued pork, which the men had spent the night in preparing, along with a sumptuous picnic dinner, at the new picnic grounds on the island in Ocona Lufly river, opposite the Cherokee Indian school grounds.

Rev. J. F. Womack, pastor of Wilkesdale Baptist church, requests The Journal to announce that the Cope Brothers will appear at the Sylva school, Wednesday night, August 20, with a complete change of program, with Whittie, the champion fiddler, and Jake and Greasy, comedians.

COPE BROTHERS TO APPEAR AT SCHOOL

The appearance of the Copes will be sponsored by Wilkesdale church.

PHILLIPS REUNION

The Phillips family reunion will be held on Sunday at the Dan Phillips old home place at the mouth of Cane Creek, Sunday. All relatives are invited to bring baskets of dinner.

Speakers of the day will be Rev. P. L. Elliott and Rev. J. E. Brown, music will be the Golden Key Quartet and the Smoky Mountains Quartet.

SHERIFF POSTS \$25 REWARD FOR STOLEN MOTORS

A warehouse at East LaPorte was entered recently and a large generator, pump, pulley, and other machinery, the property of Morrison - Knudsen Company, was taken away.

Officials of the company notified the sheriff of Jackson county and Sheriff Holden is offering a reward of \$25 for information leading to the recovery of the missing property.

Webster Circuit News

(By Rev. J. C. Gentry)
A revival meeting is now being held in the Speedwell Methodist church. The Baptist and Methodist congregations are holding their services together. Revs. Merrit Hooper and J. C. Gentry are doing the preaching. The services will continue thorough next week.

A Vacation Bible school is being held in connection with our revival. Rev. Brooks Patten from the School of Religion, Duke University is in charge. He is assisted by Misses Ossie Bryson and Rebecca Gentry.

The Vacation Bible School will begin at Webster Methodist church Monday morning, August 18. All young people and children are invited to attend.

The revival services will begin at Webster Thursday evening, August 21 at 8:00 o'clock. The public is invited to be present and worship with us.

Turpin Heads Prison Camp

James A. Turpin has succeeded D. T. Sudderth as superintendent of the Jackson-Swain Prison Camp, near Whittier, according to R. C. Reed, district prison supervisor.

Mr. Turpin, a native of Haywood, who has been a resident of Jackson county for a number of years, was a strong supporter of Governor Broughton during the last primary campaign. He has had a great deal of official experience, having been chief of police in Waynesville for several years, and having held the same position in Sylva for some time.