

The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1941

ONE DOLLAR A YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

Ed Bryson Heads Local American Legion Post; Davis Vice Commander

Edward Bryson of Speedwell, was elected Commander of William E. Dillard Post, American Legion, at its meeting, held Friday night. Commander Bryson volunteered in July 1917, as a member of the Radio Company, North Carolina National Guard, and served with the Rainbow Division in France for nearly two years.

Joe Davis, of Beta, whose service was in the Navy, was elected vice-commander; T. Walter Ashe, adjutant; R. U. Sutton, Finance Officer; Richmond Deltz, Service Officer; John Wood, Sergeant-at-Arms; Rev. B. S. Hensley, Chaplain; James T. Bennett, Americanism Officer; Karl Wallace, Historian; Thad Cowan, Membership Chairman; and Coleman Green, Graves Registration Officer.

An order was made, through the Adjutant for a number of Legion Caps, and plans were set for Armistice Day Celebration in Sylva.

ODELL DILLARD ILL

Friends of Odell Dillard will regret to learn that the principal of Candler school, native of this county, and for several years superintendent of education in this county, is ill in an Asheville hospital. A substitute is taking Mr. Dillard's place in the school.

SYLVA SCHOOL HEATING PLANT TO BE REPAIRED

A committee from the P. T. A. appointed last spring, to confer upon the difficulties that have attended proper heating of the two school buildings at Sylva, reported to the P. T. A., Tuesday afternoon that Mr. C. E. Smith, chairman of the Board of Education, has informed the committee that the heating plant at both schools will be put in good order before the cold weather comes.

President Will Spread Defense Contracts

The President established in the OPM a Division of Contract Distribution with Floyd Oflum of New York as Director to "face the responsibility of alleviating the hardships which have resulted from the defense program and... to marshal our productive capacities to the objective that no plant or tool which can be used for defense shall be allowed to remain idle." The order was issued, the President said, "in furtherance of a determined move... to help the smaller business units of the country obtain a fair share of the defense orders and to prevent, as far as possible, dislocation of industry and unemployment of workers in plants where production has been curtailed by priorities and material shortages."

The Division will set up branch offices throughout the nation where there will be available: procurement representatives of Federal contracting agencies to negotiate contracts and subcontracts, technical engineering advice on conversion of plants to defense work, representatives of the OPM Labor Division to plan reemployment of workers in plants involved, and financial facilities of the RFC and other Federal agencies which may be necessary to finance plant conversion.

To spread defense work "among as great a number of firms and in as many localities as possible," the Division will

TWO DISTRICT MEET TO BE HELD NEXT THURSDAY

There will be a joint meeting of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service for the Waynesville and Asheville Districts of the Methodist church, at Waynesville on Thursday of next week, September 25, beginning at 9:30 in the morning. Daylight Saving Time; and a large number of women from the churches of this county are planning to attend, according to Methodist leaders here.

The Conference secretaries of Missionary Education, Christian Social Relations, Wesleyan Service Guild, Spiritual Life Groups, and Young Women and Girls' Work, will be present at the conferences and present the phases of their work.

Instead of the Fall Zone meeting, the women of the Waynesville District will hold a separate meeting in the afternoon, from two to three o'clock.

MISS CORDELIA CAMP RETURNS TO COLLEGE TRAINING SCHOOL

Miss Cordelia Camp, for the last four years associate professor of education at Western Carolina Teachers College, has been asked by President H. T. Hunter to resume work as director of the demonstration school, a position which she held from 1928 to 1936. Dr. H. P. Smith, director of the training school for the last three years, has been transferred to the department of history at the college.

Board Must Know Boys' Addresses

The objectives of the Parent-Teachers Association were read to the Sylva P. T. A. at its first meeting of the year, held Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. Harry Hastings, vice-president, presiding, in the absence of the president, Mrs. Edgar Duckett.

The objectives are: To promote the welfare of children and youth in the home, school, church, and community. To raise the standards of home life. To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth. To bring into closer relation the home and the school that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in training the child. To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for every child the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. A. P. Ratledge, who read from the Gospel of John, the passage about Jesus being "The Light of the World."

Mrs. George Lee, Mrs. R. U. Sutton, and Miss Evelyn Parker reported to the Association on the P. T. A. Institute, which they attended at Chapel Hill last summer.

The financial report disclosed that there is now on hand in the treasury of the Association \$286.79.

Mrs. W. K. Chapman, the program chairman, presented Mr. Louis Hair and Mr. Frank Crawford, who discussed their ideas of what PTA should accomplish during the year. Mr. Hair stressed the necessity for closer cooperation between the school and the homes during the year. Mr. Crawford, who is chairman of the membership committee, pointed out the necessity for larger membership, if the proper cooperation between school and homes is to be attained. At present there are 175 paid members of the association, and the goal for the year is a membership of 250.

When the count of parents present, by grades, was made, (Continued on last page)

AS WORLD EVENTS UNFOLD

By DAN TOMPKINS

SHOOTING orders have come to the American Navy. Inexorably, history is repeating itself, drawing us closer to real war. President Roosevelt, in his historic and momentous address, outlined the situation to American people. America is in real danger. American and neutral shipping are being attacked on the high seas. German plots in Latin America are becoming a real menace, directed at the security of the democracies in this hemisphere, including our own. How reminiscent of the World War No. 1! Then, with infinite patience, the President of the United States sought to preserve the peace, and at the same time maintain the integrity of the United States, and of the principles for which it had always stood. First one step and then another was necessary to meet the rising menace of German aggression on the high seas and of German machinations in the Americas. Finally, the time came when there was no other course except a declaration of war.

THIS TIME, if war comes, it will be because Germany declares it, or initiates it. The United States, although the foolishly conceived and foolishly enacted Neutrality Act appeared to be an abdication from the principle of the Freedom of the Seas, does not propose to allow herself to be throttled by sea war, or the integrity of the Americas undermined by subversive acts on the part of German agents, acting under orders of diplomats, sitting in immunity. Those two things brought us into World War No. 1, and are drawing us closer to World War No. 2.

Worthy of the office would have acted much the same as Wilson did and as Roosevelt has done and is doing. There is no other course compatible with the safety of the country he has sworn to defend. So, the orders have come to the Navy to shoot on sight any Axis craft menacing our defense waters. Our part of the shooting will begin when any part of the navy comes in contact with such craft. Germany started her part of the shooting, weeks ago.

ARGENTINA, through her Congress, and with but one negative vote, has demanded the recall of the German ambassador to that country because investigation has disclosed that he is engaged in activities designed to overthrow the Argentine government through Fifth Column activities. Argentine, always slow to join with the other American republics in action has been rudely awakened to the serious threat that the German agents and German organizations have become to her and the other republics on this hemisphere.

JAPAN is wavering. The Emperor has taken charge of things over there, and the situation is clearing in the Pacific. At least it appears so. But, Japan is a greedy nation. The Japanese are crafty, as well as foolish. They have high hopes of an Asia dominated by Japan. And it may well be that Japan is only sparring for time, to see the outcome of the Russo-German conflict, before she finally casts her lot. If Germany succeeds in Russia, Japan will probably have a stiffening of the backbone, so badly bent by looking down American and British big guns. If German success in Russia, grows to great proportions, we may expect to see Japan again take the initiative in attacking her neighbors, and in menacing America and Britain.

RUSSIAN battles have held back the German hordes for weeks. The carnage has been terrible. At one time it looked as if the German machine had been definitely stalled by Russian efforts; but now the Germans have crossed the Dnieper, have established bridge-heads on the east bank, and the war machine of Hitler is rolling (Continued on last page)

COLLEGE HOLDS FRESHMAN WEEK SEPTEMBER 9-13

Cullowhee, (Special)—Freshman week for new students at Western Carolina Teachers College began on Tuesday morning, September 9 and came to a close on Saturday morning, September 13, when regular class work began for new students and upper classes. Freshman Week inaugurates annually the Freshman orientation and Adjustment course which continues throughout the school year under the direction of John S. Seymour, professor of sociology and freshman class adviser. The week's program included such activities as welcomes to the institution, psychological and English tests, health examinations, a freshman party, an introduction to student government, conferences with advisors, registration, explanation by upper classmen of extra curricular activities and school traditions, and discussions of etiquette and social usage on the campus.

On Tuesday afternoon freshmen and transfer students from other colleges met in the Hoey auditorium with Dean W. E. Bird presiding and George Tracy conducting the music. After a (Continued on last page)

P.T.A. Discusses Its Objectives

Registrants under the Selective Training and Service Act must notify their local boards of any change of address or become liable to severe penalties provided by the Act, General J. Van B. Metts, State Director of Selective Service, warned them today.

Director Metts said he had been advised by National Selective Service Headquarters that many cases of delinquencies investigated by the Department of Justice have been due to carelessness of registrant concerning their duty to report changes of address, or ignorance of the law requiring them to do so.

The Selective Service Act provides that any registrant who violates the law shall be liable to fine and imprisonment, the Director pointed out. This punishment, he also called to attention, is specified as "by imprisonment for not more than five years or a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by both fine and imprisonment."

It is the policy of the Selective Service System, Director Metts said, and of the Department of Justice which is charged enforcement of the Act, to take action in those cases where there is willful intent to violate the law. Nevertheless, he stressed, investigation of borderline cases is taking up much valuable time of local boards and Department of Justice which should be devoted to urgent work for National Defense.

To relieve this situation, and also to protect registrants who do not willfully try to violate the law, Director Metts has asked local boards to use all means of investigation at their disposal before reporting apparent cases of delinquency to the Department of Justice.

In this connection, the Director also stated that there is no objection to a local board using voluntary assistance of local or State police officials to find a registrant who has failed to respond to notification. He said: "If, after a reasonable effort on the part of the local board, and, when volunteered, by the local or State police the whereabouts of the delinquent registrant cannot be ascertained and nothing has been heard from him in response to notification, the local board then should report the delinquent to the United State District Attorney."

Air Warning Service Observation Posts Held By Volunteers In County

BUMGARNER CLAN TO HOLD ANNUAL MEET

The Bumgarner family of Jackson county will hold its annual reunion at Love's Chapel on September 27. This is the twenty-first reunion the family has held at this church, and all persons related to the family, and their friends are invited.

The following program has been worked out by the committee:

10:00 A. M.; Devotional, Rev. W. N. Cook.

Greetings of Welcome by President, J. H. Painter.

Group singing by children.

Report of Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Bryson.

Reading, Libby Dale Bumgarner.

Duet, Mary Nell and Marcella Reed.

Report of Historian, Mrs. W. G. Cunningham.

Duet, Wood Sisters.

Election of Officers.

Recognition of relatives and visitors.

Quartet, The Golden Key.

Address, Rev. Walter L. Lanier.

Song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Benediction, Rev. W. C. Reed.

Lunch.

State Board Of Health Endorses Reynold's Effort To Suppress Prostitution

Raleigh—The State Board of Health, meeting in Raleigh, unanimously passed a resolution endorsing Dr. Carl V. Reynolds' effort to suppress the spread of venereal diseases through the suppression of prostitution.

The resolution, which declared Dr. Reynolds' efforts to represent the fixed policy of the Board on this subject, was recorded in the minutes as follows:

"Resolved, at the meeting of the State Board of Health in Raleigh, September 12, 1941, that the Board endorse the policy of its Secretary, Dr. Carl (Continued on page 2)

INDIAN LEGION POST WILL HEAR TOMPKINS TALK

Dan Tompkins will be the guest speaker at the meeting of Steve Youngdeer Post, American Legion, at Cherokee, Saturday night.

This is the only Indian post of the American Legion in the United States, and was named for Steve Youngdeer, Jackson county Cherokee, who was killed at the Battle of the Hindenburg Line, when the 30th Division broke through the German defenses and drove past Bellicourt, on September 29, 1918.

FOOD LOCKERS SEEN AS AID TO DEFENSE

Farmers living in areas served by frozen food locker plants can make increased use of these plants to their own advantage and to the advantage of the defense program, says David S. Weaver, head of the Department of Agricultural Engineering at N. C. State College.

The use of frozen lockers, he pointed out, reduces the amount of canning necessary and saves tin, zinc, and other metals vital to the defense program. Only waxed paper and cartons are used for frozen foods.

Resources are saved when foods are placed in the lockers through eliminating spoilage as well as waste of feed which result when meat animals and poultry are carried over until needed or until "butchering

County Defense Chairman Dan Tompkins has announced to the War Department and to the Defense Headquarters in Raleigh that the organization of Aircraft Warning Service in Jackson county is complete, with observation posts temporarily established at Cashier's, Glenville, the Power House below Lake Glenville, East LaPorte, Webster, Balsam Gap, Beta, Wilmot, Blue Wing, Lickstone, Barnett Knob and Gay.

Joe Davis, vice-commander of the American Legion Post, was appointed by the Defense Chairman as Chairman of the aircraft warning service, and observers were selected from volunteers at the various points designated by the War Department. It is anticipated that perhaps one or two of the observation points will be moved to fire stations on top of the mountains when the forest fire season in October makes it necessary for the wardens to be on duty at towers where there are telephones.

Mr. Davis reports that the service is complete in this county as mapped out by the War Department. A trial will be made it is believed, to test the efficiency of the civilian service, when the air maneuvers of the army begin within a few days.

Although the present service was set up temporarily in anticipation of the air maneuvers, it will become a permanent volunteer service, ready to be put on duty day and night, in the event it should become necessary, to the defense of the nation.

CONFEDERATE MONUMENT WILL BE REPAIRED

A committee of B. H. Cathey chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy has conferred with the county commissioners, and the county will have repairs made to the base of the Confederate monument, immediately. Mr. T. Walter Ashe, chairman, told the committee that the commissioners had as yet been unable to secure the services of a competent workman to make the repairs.

The chapter, meeting at the home of Mrs. W. O. Soderquist, last Friday afternoon, appointed the committee to confer with county authorities. A nominating committee, with Mrs. Ernest Wilson as chairman, was appointed, and other matters of business were transacted. During the social hour, Mrs. Soderquist served a delightful salad course.

Vocal and piano selections, by Mrs. Mary C. Binson, of Hendersonville, who was a guest at the meeting, were a feature of the social hour.

The Durham County Guensey Calf Club will show a dozen purebred calves at the 1941 State Fair.

Because most of the meat, fruits, and vegetables processed in locker plants are grown locally, transportation facilities, central storage, refrigerator cars, and handling facilities, and manpower can be released for emergency uses.

Farmers using lockers are likely to raise more of their own foodstuffs, Weaver believes, because foods processed in locker plants make possible greater variety in the diet and are more palatable and nutritious than foods preserved in the home by other methods. The improved diet which results should mean better health and, consequently, greater efficiency and increased productivity of farm people.