

Annual Picnic Of Farmers Draws Crowd

Despite the rain, a large crowd of people from various parts of Jackson county was attracted to Sylva last Saturday for the annual Farmers Federation picnic. The speaking and other exercises were held inside the elementary school building in the auditorium; but at lunch time the elements relented and the picnic dinner was spread on the school grounds. Some 65 performers played and sang and danced, and the crowd bought \$1.069 worth of victory bonds and stamps, and ate up 400 watermelons. With James G. K. McClure as master of ceremonies, the following speakers were called upon and responded: A. C. Reynolds, Jr., chairman of the federation bond and stamp drive; R. L. Ariall, executive vice president of the Jackson County Bank, and county chairman of the bond and stamps sales committee; G. R. Lackey, County Agent; William G. Davis, superintendent of Farm Security; Miss Margaret Martin, County Home Agent; Veri Ensey, manager of the Farmers Federation store; and Rev. Dumont Clarke, educational director of the federation.

Samantha Bumgarner, Sebron Cope, and Jim Corbin played the old time mountain fiddle music. The performers on the stage for the picnic were:

Barbara Martin, from Sylva; the Mills Gap Trio, Edith Drake, Allene and Helen Cunningham, from Buncombe; Aunt Samantha Bumgarner, 65 years old, from Dillsboro; Charles Tolley; Sebron Cope, 64 years old, from Green's Creek; Uncle Jim Corbin, 78 years old, from Ellijay; Hazel Boone Rhymmer, from Lenoir; Claude Boone, Johnny Rhymmer, and Gaither Robinson, of the Federation String Band; The Blue River Boys, Veldee Barnes, Vernon Wood, Lyman Gasaway, from Whittier; The Carolina Ramblers, Van Coggins; Willard Plemmons, Iverson Bradley; The Rock Ramblers, R. L. J. and Burdelle Riddle, from Waynesville; The Carolina Moonshine Boys, Harvey Nations, Hubert Bryson, and Jack Blanton, from Addie; Perry and Kenneth Rhodes, from Dillsboro; Kate Martin, from Dillsboro; Wilma Stetlemire and Nina Fern Bradley, from Wilmot; Thelma Parker and Dorothy Bumgarner, from Chapel; Hayes Stuart, Mac Johnson; Elden and Rosco Hooper, from Speedwell; Henry Shelton, of Cullowhee; Commodore Tully, of Pressley's Creek; Duff Mathis, of Sylva; Thad Greene, of Gay, and John M. Dey, of Dillsboro, all danced; The Pressley Quartet, Thelma Parker, Clyde Pressley, Cling

NORTH CAROLINA IS LEADER OF REGION IN FARM INCOME

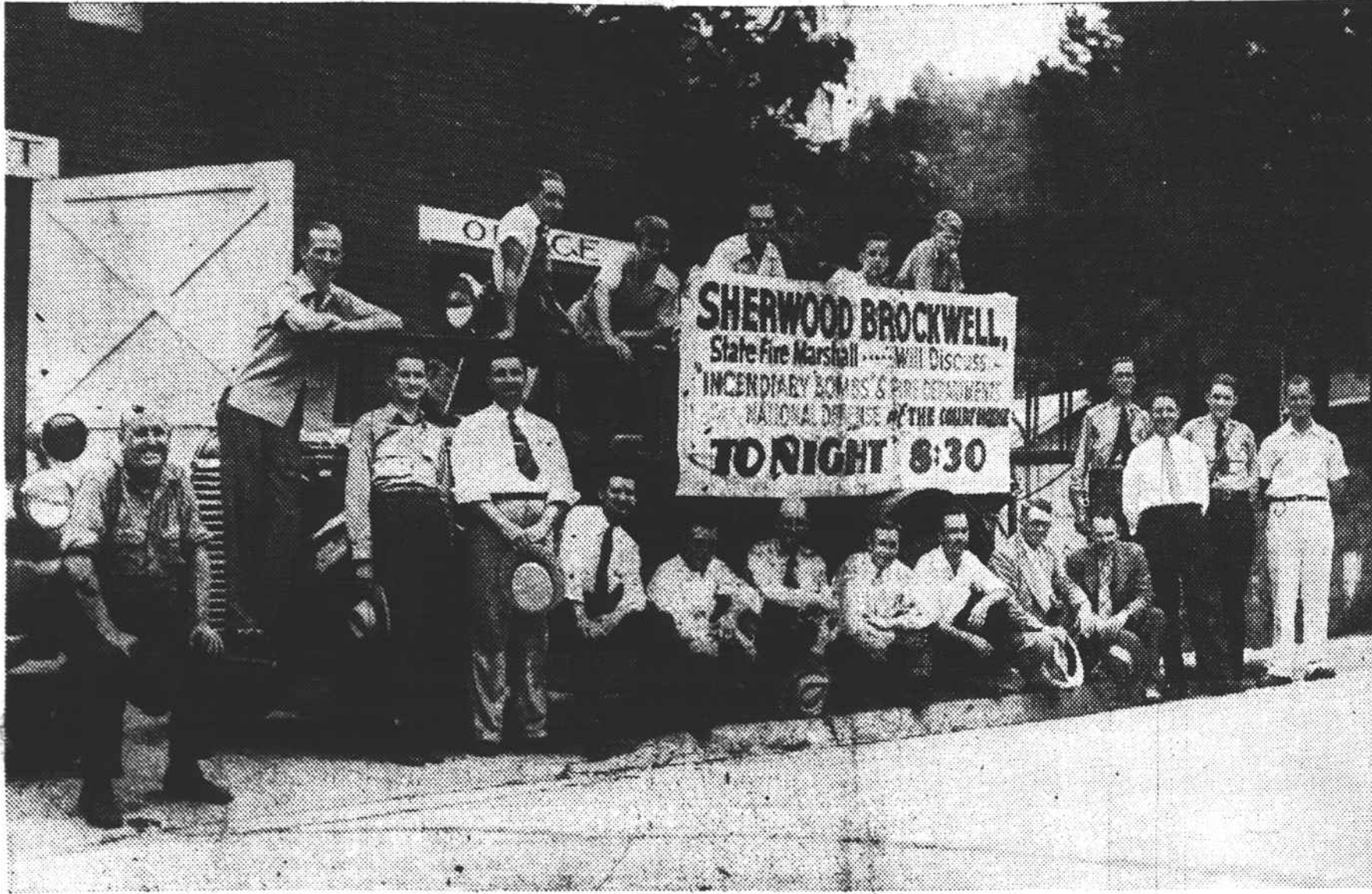
North Carolina led all other states in the East Central Region AAA, in total farm income, including cash income, value of products consumed in farm households, and government payments for 1941, according to a report received by E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive assistance of N. C. State College.

The report shows North Carolina's total farm income for last year as approximately \$384,000,000, as compared with \$228,000,000 in 1940.

Second in the region was Kentucky with a total of \$226,000,000 and Tennessee was third with \$264,000,000. Other states in the region and their total farm income, were listed as follows: Virginia, \$223,000,000; Maryland, \$110,000,000; West Virginia, \$82,000,000; and Delaware, \$42,000,000.

"These figures," Floyd said, "reflect a steady improvement in the financial position of North Carolina farmers. This can be attributed to several factors, among which are improved farming practices, soil conservation practices, and the marketing quota programs of the AAA.

SYLVA FIREMEN AND AUXILIARY FIREMEN



Reading from left to right, front row, the men are: E. O. Mashburn, honorary chief; Tilgham Bass, Charlie Campbell, Alliney Bryson, Frank Moody, D. M. Tallent, Phil Stovall, Chief; W. B. Cope, 2nd Assistant Chief; Sherwood Brockwell, State Fire Marshal and Deputy Insurance Commissioner; Assistant Chief Bailey, of Asheville; Jess Sullins, Highway Patrolman; Felix Picklesimer, John O'Kelly, Policeman; and R. O. Wilson.

Left to right, on truck: David Buchanan, Claude Winstead, Wade Wilson, David Sorrels, Lewis Wilson and Bud Monteith. Members of the fire department not present when the picture was made: Ray Cogdill, Assistant Chief; Woody Hampton, Secretary and Treasurer; Roscoe Dills, David Dills, Ralph Elkins, Paul Womack, and Emerson Phillips. Honorary members: Charles N. Price, A. J. Dills, and J. D. Cowan.

Moves To Stop Charges For Paper Cups

Raleigh—Newspaper articles to the effect that soft drink chiselers in the vicinity of Camp Davis and Fort Bragg have been brought under the scrutiny of the Office of Price Administration bring to mind another form of violation, which will be dealt with in due course, Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State Health Officer, stated here last night.

"Reports have reached me to the effect that soft drink dispensers are charging extra for paper containers. Investigation has disclosed that this is true in some instances, and if the practice is not discontinued at once, names of those engaging in this practice will be made public," Dr. Reynolds continued.

"I have already taken this matter up with the Office of Price Administration in Washington, and from Henry S. Reuss, assistant general counsel, I have just received a letter to the effect that:

"We know of no tax on paper containers. There have been no price increases since the issuance of the General Maximum Price Regulation, and there is no excuse for retailers to charge for these containers.

"We desire to be informed of any persons who are violating the General Maximum Price Regulation by now charging for containers, and we assure you we shall take appropriate action."

Such practice puts a penalty on sanitation," Doctor Reynolds said, "and it tends to tear down what it has taken a quarter of a century to build up. Hence, it is a menace to public health which we do not propose to condone, besides being an injustice to the purchasing public.

Old Savannah Church To Have Homecoming

The residents of the community around Old Savannah Baptist church will meet on Saturday, August 8, and clean off the cemetery near the church. On Sunday, August 9 "Homecoming Day" will be held, when members of the church, with their friends will gather for services at the church and to decorate the graves in the cemetery.

Keep 'em Flying. Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

On The Tar Heel Front In Washington

By ROBERT A. ERWIN And FRANCES McKUSICK

Washington—This has been an active week on the Tar Heel front in Washington with legislators keeping busy in the interests of the folks back home on just about every subject from gasoline to seeds.

Examining the first item on the list, the all important gasoline and what can be done to relieve the traveling businessmen's dilemma on the 470 miles a month edict issued by Leon Henderson, we find that Paul Ervin, of Charlotte, executive secretary of the Traveling Businessmen's Association was in town for several days to present his organization's case before the Price Administrator.

In a meeting late Wednesday afternoon, Ervin assured Henderson that he was not complaining of the sacrifices the businessmen would have to make but that he felt Henderson should know, and would want to know, exactly how difficult it would be for travelers to stay in business if only allowed to use their automobiles 470 miles a month. He stressed that because of connections throughout the country districts, many of these men would be faced with bankruptcy.

The upshot of the entire meeting was that although Henderson promised the meeting he and his staff would investigate the situation thoroughly, the tanker sinkings on the East Coast were so serious he doubted if much could be done to relieve the situation.

Vigorously chewing gum during the entire conference, Henderson was sympathetic with the problems of the traveling men, but could promise nothing more than that the 470 a month minimum would not stand if there was any possibility for making it less stringent. On Tuesday, Deputy Price Administrator in charge of Rationing Paul O'Leary told the traveling businessmen the best solution he could see was that they double up on their trips, thus cutting down on individual mileage.

In conclusion Henderson expressed his appreciation of the cooperation given him by members of Congress.

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4-H Members Go To Annual Club Encampment

A large number of members of 4-H Clubs, from various sections of the county left Monday for Swannanoa, for the annual club encampment. Accompanying the young people were Miss Margaret Martin, home demonstration agent, Mr. Garland Lackey, farm agent, and Miss Eva Higdon.

Members attending the meet are: Peggy Reed, Joe Ann Curry, Edoleen Curry, Phyllis Dillard, Herman Cloer and Aler Southard, Jr., from Beta; James Hooper, Luther Norton, Dennis Norton, Winona Cotter, John Raymond Moss, Cullowhee; Sara Ruth Pressley, Speedwell; Mildred Lanning, Tuckasee; Ted Ray Parker, East LaPorte; R. L. Pruett, Buddy Holden, Willa Bess Holden, Tommy Bryson, Junior Fisher, Willis McCoy, and Padgett McCoy, Glenville; Anna Belle Watson, Cashier's; Marvin Henson, Erastus; Irene Parris, Dillsboro; Arbie Sue Ensley, Barbara Bumgarner, Barbara Bess, Dorothy Hennessee, Frances Bryson, Bud Monteith, Jack Hennessee, Kent Coward, Jack Cope, Sylva; and C. J. Cowan, Jr., Evelyn Davis, Patsy Ensley, Webster; Jeanette Moore, Sylva. The party will return Friday.

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City License Tags Sales Lag For '42

The sales of city license tags have fallen off considerably, according to a report of the fire department, to whom the money goes. Every year people in and around Sylva voluntarily buy city license tags as a means of supporting the volunteer fire department. This year the sales have fallen off considerably.

Those who have purchased 1942 city tags are: Phil Stovall, J. R. Elkin, James Kindley, Bart Cope, Fred Hooper, Miller Myatt, C. J. Pressley, Verlon Parker, Leon Picklesimer, Jack Cooper, Sylva Paperboard Company, Dan Moore, Jimmy Morris, Mrs. H. R. Hastings, Shelton Bradsher, R. L. Ariall, A. W. Watson, Fred Russell, Carey Reed Snyder, Dr. D. D. Hooper, W. G. Davis, Frank Cowan, Harry Ferguson, A. C. Moses, Lawrence Reed, Glenn Holt, A. B. Queen, J. A. Allman, Velt Wilson, H. O. Curtis, Dr. C. Z. Candler, A. G. Huff, Jr., W. H. Moody, E. L. McKee, R. C. Allison, Dan Allison, Charles M. Reed, J. C. Allison, Woody Hampton, Charles Bumgarner, Grayson Cope, Dr. A. A. Nichols, Oscar Dillard, Raymond Glenn, Sylva Tire Co., A. D. Parker, Dr. W. P. McGuire, Dr. Noracella McGuire, W. E. Grindstaff, Sylva Coal and Lumber Co., E. J. Duckett, Dan Tompkins, H. B. Morgan, Ed Curry, Paul Kirk, Radio Shop, John O'Kelly, H. P. Cathey, Dr. Grover Wilkes, Mrs. Grover Wilkes, Ben Lessing, T. W. Ashe, Jennings Bryson, R. G. Tuttle, Reg Enloe, Chester Scott, Howard Allison, J. M. Hyatt, J. I. Monteith, O. E. Monteith, A. J. Dills, F. L. McNeely, Carl Corbin, Alden Bryson, J. D. Moore, B. E. Harris, Ernest Lewis, Ed Carnes, T. E. Reed, W. T. Wise, Lewis Kilby, Cogdill Motor Co., Charles Evans, W. J. Fisher, Glenn Hughes, John H. Morris, Lewis Cannon, Alliney Bryson, A. W. Gaylor, John R. Jones, Chester Harris, Ben Queen, C. H. Kirkman, Claude Jones, Vernon Cope, J. W. Rhinehart, Mrs. O. L. Cope, Dewey Blanton.

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Dependents Of Navy Men Now Provided For

Asheville—Wives and children of men who volunteer for enlistment in the Navy will be provided for under provisions of the Dependency Bill that became law on June 23, Lieut. Charles B. Neely, officer in charge of Navy Recruiting for North Carolina, said today.

The new bill provides for dependents of men enlisting in the lowest four pay grades of the Navy. They are: apprentice seaman, seaman second class, seaman first class and third class petty officer. Also included in this category are mess attendants, first and second class buglers, firemen, second and third class, and hospital apprentices, first and second class.

Lieut. Neely pointed out that men who are enlisted in the first three pay grades of the Navy, chief petty officer, first and second class petty officer, already are allowed \$1.15 per day for their dependents. Thus they are not included in the Act of June 23, which applies exclusively to men in the lower four pay grades.

Under provisions of this bill, the wife will receive \$28.00 per month, with an additional \$12 for the first child and \$10 for each additional child. The husband and father will be required to allot \$22 from his monthly pay for the support of his family before he can qualify for a subsidy under the provisions of this Dependency Act.

The officer in charge said that provisions also had been made for the parents, brothers, sisters, and grand-children of a man within the four pay grades to which this act applies. This type dependent, however, must rely on the man for a substantial portion of their support before they can qualify for an allowance from this source. More detailed information, Lieut. Neely said, regarding this kind of dependency will be announced at a later date.

Sherwood Brockwell, Deputy Insurance Commissioner and Fire Marshal for the State of North Carolina, for fifty years associated with the fire service in this State, and for forty years an active fireman, twenty-eight of which has been spent as Fire Marshal in charge of personnel training of all North Carolina Fire Departments, and who, in November, 1941, was sent to Edgewood Arsenal by the State of North Carolina for special training in Chemical Warfare, was, in Sylva and Dillsboro, Tuesday, July 21, to inspect the personnel, equipment and methods used by these two Fire Departments in Jackson County, and to visit the members.

While in Sylva, Mr. Brockwell addressed the Firemen of Sylva and Dillsboro on the importance and scope of the work now being done by Fire Departments throughout the world in keeping down the fire losses from normal causes and fighting the fires caused by air raids. While he talked about the fire service in general, paying high praise to the members of the Sylva Department who have attended the North Carolina Fire College and Drill School, he stressed the importance of their work in connection with the training of auxiliary firemen and of the work to be done by these auxiliary firemen in case of major fire from normal causes or fires from air raids. He witnessed a well executed drill by members of the auxiliary force and was well pleased with the men and the work done.

Following the visit the Firemen, the Fire Marshal, accompanied by Mr. J. H. Bailey, Assistant Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Asheville and well known to the Firemen of Sylva and Dillsboro, and who introduced him to the audience, addressed a very enthusiastic gathering at the Court House.

In this mass meeting Mr. Brockwell showed plainly that Sylva could be bombed, forcefully brought out the fact that shoes and textile products, such as shirts, socks, underclothes, etc. are important military equipment, all manufactured in this vicinity and also called to the attention of the audience that one of the most decisive battles ever fought in the history of the world was lost to one side on account of a raid on a shoe factory. He showed that should an attempt to bomb Knoxville be made, that a direct line from Savannah, Charleston, Wilmington or Norfolk would be directly over Sylva. He told of how a bombing plane when attacked and forced to turn, would in self defense, unload the heavy demolition bombs as quickly as possible and where they thought they would do the most damage under such circumstances. He pictured a part of Sylva being directly between a railroad and a river, difficult to camouflage, and a fair target under such conditions.

After showing how it was not only possible, but probable, especially when we take Knoxville into consideration, that Sylva could be bombed, he with charts, black board diagrams and replicas of bombs, explained the method of bombing used by the enemy.

He explained the effect of demolition bombs on buildings, water mains, etc., and how the enemy used incendiary bombs of various types in connection with the demolition bombs to cause conflagrations.

This was followed by a detailed description of the German-Magnesium - Thermite - Incendiary Bomb, the speaker taking one apart and explaining each separate part. After explaining why, how and the method of bombing, instructions of how to combat the effect of the incendiary bomb (magnesium) were given. At this point he emphasized the fact that if and when the bombs

Former Jackson Boy Was On Lexington

Guy Robinson, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Robinson of Sedro Wooley, Washington, was aboard the aircraft carrier Lexington as an electrician's mate first class, when she went down in the battle of the Coral Sea. When the time came to escape from the doomed ship, the young man slid down a rope into the sea and was later rescued.

Mr. Robinson has a number of relatives here. His mother was, before her marriage, Miss Etta Bumgarner. R. C. Bumgarner and G. E. Bumgarner are his uncles, and Mrs. Eli Cook of Asheville is his aunt. He visited relatives here just prior to his transfer from the Yorktown to the Lexington.

PRIVATE FARLEY STARTS TRAINING

Kelly Paul Farley, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Farley, of Mari-Posa, California, enlisted in the United States Air Corps, on July 9. He is now in the engineering corps and officers training school, at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Mrs. Farley and young son, Pat, will be with her mother, Mrs. T. K. Guthrie, for the present.

Kirkman In Hospital

Friends of Mr. C. H. Kirkman, Jr., assistant Farm Agent of the county, will be interested to learn that he is convalescing in the Community Hospital from a severe attack of sore throat. He has been confined to the hospital for several days.

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Rev. W. L. Hutchins, superintendent of the Waynesville District, Methodist church, will preach at the Methodist church here, Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock. Rev. Robert G. Tuttle, the pastor of the church, is in Yadkinville, where he is conducting a series of meetings.

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