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\$28,000 Allotted by WPA for Streets in West Jefferson

Sewerage Appropriation Made; City Must Furnish Percent of Amount Given

\$28,000 has been appropriated by the Works Progress Administration for grading and surfacing the streets of West Jefferson. The appropriation was made during the past week.

According to the WPA rules and regulations, the town itself will have to furnish about twenty-five percent of the amount given and this is, at present, being studied by the town mayor and board of aldermen.

Missionary Slated to Preach Here Friday

Dr. Stokes to Assist Rev. W. J. Huneycutt in Revival Here Beginning on Friday

Dr. J. L. Stokes, pastor of the Methodist church, Randleman, N. C., will assist in a ten-day revival meeting which begins at the West Jefferson Methodist church on Friday evening of this week at 8:00 o'clock.

Dr. Stokes' father, Dr. M. B. Stokes, has for the past thirty years been a leading missionary in Korea. At present he is devoting the major part of his time on a translation of the New Testament into Korean and as presiding elder of one of the districts.

Dr. J. L. Stokes was born in Korea and lived there until he came to the United States for college training. After receiving an A. B. degree from Asbury College (Kentucky), he spent three years at Duke University where he was given his B. D. Later he received his Ph. D. degree at Yale University.

During his pastorate at Randleman, he has proven himself an able preacher and popular pastor. Everyone is invited to hear him.

PLAY AT LAUREL SPRINGS

"Going Modern" to Be Given for Benefit of School Building

"Going Modern", a side-splitting comedy, will be presented at the Laurel Springs school auditorium, Saturday, May 15, at eight o'clock. The proceeds from the performance will go towards the expenses of the new building which has recently been built on the site where the old Laurel Springs academy stood.

String music will be played during the acts.

The public is cordially urged to be present and help enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment. The small admission charge will be fifteen and twenty-five cents.

Big Crowd Expected at Exhibit in Boone

Hon. W. P. Murphy to Deliver Keynote Address; Program to Be Educational

Mrs. Marion G. Faison, supervisor of the 3rd WPA Adult Education district, states that the dramatized exhibit that will be held in Boone at A. S. T. C., Friday is expected to draw large crowds from the entire district. Lunch will be served on the grounds and the program, which will be educational, will be interesting from start to finish. The exhibits will include samples of the work done by the adult teachers during the year.

Hon. Walter P. Murphy, of Salisbury, will be the keynote speaker of the occasion. The program will begin at ten o'clock, and the public is invited.

OBIDS MAN BECOMES MASTER MASON HERE

William G. Beshears, of Obids, was raised to the sublime degree of master mason at a called meeting of Ashe Lodge No. 671 here Tuesday night. Worshipful Master Ira T. Johnston expressed himself as having seen no better candidate who took the degrees "more attentively, seriously, and intelligently than did Bro. Beshears."

Time Off From the Spanish War



Two loyalist militiamen in the front line trenches before Madrid crouch behind their sandbags and read two books they picked up on their way up from the rear during a temporary lull in the fighting. The man at the left has kept his gun in place, and the other has his where he can get it quickly.

SPARTA MAN DIES

T. J. Carson Prominent in Church and Civic Affairs of Alleghany

Sparta, April 30.—Thomas Jefferson Carson, 73, one of Alleghany county's outstanding citizens and a brother-in-law of Congressman R. L. Doughton and ex-Lieutenant Governor Rufus A. Doughton, died at his home here this afternoon at one o'clock. He had been ill only a short time.

Mr. Carson was the third son of Thomas J. and Catherine Carson. He was married to Miss Cora Doughton on December 5, 1888. He and Mrs. Carson would have observed their golden wedding next year.

Throughout his life Mr. Carson was active in civic affairs. He had served as superintendent of Alleghany county schools for a number of years and was a member of the board of county commissioners and the board of education for many years. For many years he was cashier of the Bank of Sparta and was a director of the bank at the time of his death.

In addition to his civic life, Mr. Carson was active in religious affairs and for forty years was a member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Cora Doughton Carson; one daughter, Mrs. Luther Boyer, of Charlotte; two sons, Thomas D. Carson, of Washington, D. C., and George Carson, of Elizabeth City; four grandchildren and one brother, Robert S. Carson, of Peach Bottom, Va.

Funeral services were held in Sparta Saturday afternoon.

MRS. SUSAN FARMER DIES

Pioneer of Whitetop Country Taken by Case of Pneumonia

Mrs. Susan Taylor Farmer, wife of Wilburn F. Farmer, died at her home in the Whitetop community, Monday, April 26th, with pneumonia.

Mrs. Farmer, with her husband, settled in this section when wild beasts roamed the forest and the whole country was a wilderness. She was the mother of 16 children, of whom 13 are living. She is also survived by her husband, a number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and even great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at the home by Rev. Ambrose Miller and others. She was laid to rest in the Farmer cemetery on the farm where she had resided since early marriage. She will be greatly missed in this community by all who knew and loved her. She was widely and affectionately known as "Grandma Farmer".

TO ANNOUNCE COMMITTEES

First Monday Spent as New Board Listens to Committee Requests

The new Ashe County Board of Education met Monday in the office of the county superintendent and spent the entire day listening to and considering requests from various school communities for selections for school committees for the coming year. No definite selections were made, however, but the appointments will be made within the next week and it is expected that they will be ready for publication in the next issue of the Skyland Post.

The new board is composed of Dr. R. F. Barr, chairman, and Dr. R. C. Ray and Austin Jones, members.

Legion Auxiliary to Help Celebrate Poppy Day Here

Mrs. Guy Denny, President, to Supervise Selling Poppies on May 29th in Ashe

An appeal for general wearing of the memorial poppy in remembrance of the World War dead on Poppy Day, Saturday, May 29th, was issued this week by Mrs. Guy Denny, president of the Ashe county unit of the American Legion Auxiliary. She asked that every person in Ashe county pay honor to the men of the city and of the nation who gave their lives in defense of the country by wearing a poppy on Poppy Day.

"The poppy is the individual tribute to the memory of the men who died in World War service," said Mrs. Denny. "Everyone can wear a poppy to show that he remembers and is grateful for the gallant sacrifices made for America's security and democracy. Every patriotic citizen will take part in the observance of Poppy Day.

"The poppy is the symbol of supreme sacrifice. It stands for the highest type of patriotism we can conceive. Wearing this little flower awakens in our hearts a deeper conception of our duties to our country. It reminds us that life itself is not too much to give if our country is in danger and gives us inspiration to serve in peace with the same spirit of patriotic devotion that inspired those who died among the poppies of France."

Members of the auxiliary will distribute poppies on the streets all day Saturday, receiving in exchange for them contributions for the legion and auxiliary welfare work among the disabled veterans and needy families of the veterans. The poppies have been made by disabled veterans.

Gambill Brothers to Hold Clinic in June for Children

Operations to Be Done for Half of Regular Price; Interested Persons Should Register

Dr. Frank and Dr. Reeves Gambill, eye, ear, nose, and throat specialists from Lincolnton, will hold a countywide clinic at the West Jefferson High School building in June. The date will be announced later.

The Drs. Gambill held a clinic here last year on the same terms that they plan to hold the one this year. The work was very satisfactory and almost a hundred operations were performed.

The regular tonsil-adenoid operation costs twenty-five dollars, but during the clinic a special price of twelve-fifty will be made.

All parents who have children needing this operation are asked to get in touch with Dr. Frank Gambill, Lincolnton, N. C., at once and make arrangements as to dates and to payments.

The clinic will furnish registered trained nurses to assist the surgeons. Preparations are being made to take care of a large number of patients and for that reason, those planning to come are urged to register with Dr. Gambill as soon as possible.

BRIEF NEWS

From the

State and Nation

WILSON LIQUOR PROFITS FOR 9 MONTHS \$80,279

Officials of the Wilson county alcoholic beverage control board reported Tuesday profits for the first nine months of the current fiscal year aggregated \$80,279.78 on sales which totaled \$381,196.25. The profits since the stores were opened in July 1935 totaled \$180,325.67, it was announced.

COLUMBUS COUNTY DRYS ARE HAPPY

Unofficial returns from 16 out of Columbus county's 23 precincts Tuesday gave opponents of county liquor stores 2,922 votes and proponents 1,325.

Wets virtually conceded defeat as the remaining precincts are strongholds of the dries.

Three counties have held liquor referenda under the 1937 county control law. Dare county went dry by a narrow margin and the vote was contested. Durham county went wet by an overwhelming majority.

EX-KING EDWARD MEETS FIANCEE

The Duke of Windsor, reunited with Wallis Simpson in Mont, France, this week chose to keep their marriage plans a secret until after the coronation of his brother.

King George VI will be crowned May 12, as the former Edward VIII was to have been, and until after that event, the Duke decided, he will refrain from saying when he will make the former Baltimore belle the Duchess of Windsor.

The American-born woman and the man who decided that their love was more important than the world's most influential throne were reunited after a separation of five months and one day. He carried a bunch of flowers to the door of his chosen lady, not of royalty born, and embraced her in full view of onlookers from a world of commoners.

CALLS FOR 10 PER CENT REDUCTION

Representative Woodrum, Democrat, Virginia, asked heads of 32 independent agencies of the government this week to "resurvey and reconsider your appropriation needs for 1938" with a view to helping the house appropriations committee make "at least a 10 per cent reduction."

BULLETS STOP PRISON BREAK

Machine gun and rifle bullets ended an attempted prison break Monday in Moundsville, W. Va., killing three convicts and critically wounding another.

Guards on the fortress-like walls of West Virginia penitentiary and within the six-acre enclosure turned their weapons on a truck seized by the four in their attempt to rush the prison gates.

More than 1,500 other prisoners watched the wild dash of the truck and the fusillade of shots from the yard in which they had been sent for the afternoon recreational period.

They huddled in groups near the stone walls during the firing and not a guard or a prisoner, except those participating in the break, was injured.

ASHE STUDENTS OFFICERS AT LEES-McRAE COLLEGE

Banner Elk, April 28.—Paul Chaplin, of Charlotte, was elected president of the Christian Association at Lees-McRae College last week. Other officers chosen were: Mary Hartsof, Husk, vice-president; Irene Cornett, Comera Rock, Virginia, secretary; and Ragland Fletcher, treasurer.

Chaplin succeeds Ray Stuart, Ashland, who is also president of the senior class at Lees-McRae. All of the new officers are freshmen, and have been active in campus organizations.

The annual banquet of the Young People's Christian Association will be held at the college Wednesday

"GET A JOB, GIRLS"



Every woman should have a profession whether she intends to marry or not, in the opinion of Mrs. Mary Roebling, herself a successful bank president in Trenton, N. J. She believes that women are becoming increasingly important in business, in fact, she predicts that "within the next ten or twenty years women will be doing the deciding."

Patients at Duke Hospital Pay Only Part of Expenses

Ashe County Patients Given 221 Days of Care at Cost of \$645 in Durham

Durham, April 29.—Seventy-five counties of the state made the lot of patients in Duke hospital easier during the past year by assisting in their care, report of the hospital, recently issued, shows. The help given by counties ranged from \$2 to more than \$9,000, according to the number of patients sent from each county.

During the year the 10,750 patients who were received at Duke hospital travelled a total of 1,547,000 miles, or an average round trip of 144 miles for each patient.

The hospital's report shows that \$509,797.80 was spent on patients or \$4.51 for each patient each day. Patients themselves were able to pay but 53.1 percent of their hospital expenses. Nearly \$23,000 was paid for them by their home counties.

Patients from Ashe county were given 221 days of care, of which \$645.21 was paid by patients themselves, nothing by the county or city, nothing by others, and \$351.50 by Duke hospital.

CMTC to Open This Year on August 3rd

B. D. Barr to Again Be in Charge of Registration From Ashe County for CMTC

Colonel J. W. Harrelson of Raleigh, N. C., and Mr. David Horton of Columbia, S. C., Civilian Aides to the Secretary of War, have announced that the Citizen's Military Training Camp to be held this year at Fort Bragg, N. C., will open on August 3rd and close on September 1st. North Carolina's quota is 801 enrollees, while South Carolina has a quota of 143.

The Procurement Campaign is now in full swing and a great many applications have already been received at the Post. Major Schumburg McGehee, 13th Field Artillery Brigade, has been appointed C. M. T. C. Procurement Officer with office at Fort Bragg, N. C., and it is suggested that the boys interested in going to camp write Major McGehee or apply to their county representative for application blanks or information regarding the camp.

While these camps are supported by the Federal Government for the purpose of giving military training to those who volunteer for it, every effort is made to make the camp attractive as a vacation proposition. Afternoons are devoted to athletics, swimming and games. Entertainments of various kinds are offered during the evening period. Sundays are devoted to religious services, both mornings and evenings.

The following list of Ashe and nearby county representatives and physicians have volunteered their services to aid in securing applicants and examining them for the camp. Each county quota is listed opposite the county.

Ashe county: Lt. B. D. Barr, 8, Dr. D. C. Jones. Alleghany county: Lt. R. E. Black, 3, Dr. P. L. Choate. Watauga county: Mr. W. H. Walker, 6, Dr. H. B. Perry. Wilkes county: Mr. Joe B. McCoy, 13, 1st Lt. H. B. Smith.

Tax Advertising Postponed for 30 Days by Fathers

County Commissioners Spend Day Attending to Routine Affairs; Jury Drawn

Advertising of delinquent tax payers was postponed by order of the board of county commissioners at their first Monday meeting on the 3rd. The postponement was made for thirty days.

The county fathers spent the day attending to routine affairs and the jury was drawn for the special term of superior court which will convene this month. The jury drawn is as follows:

First week: Larkin Powers, Piney Creek; J. E. Goodman, West Jefferson; E. H. Handy, Grassy Creek; H. T. Goodman, Jefferson; Roby Francis, Grassy Creek; Herman J. Gentry, Old Fields; J. R. Weaver, Clifton; F. C. Hartsof, Clifton; L. L. Hoppers, Helton; R. F. Marsh, Jefferson; R. L. Reeves, Jr., Piney Creek; W. M. Elliott, North Fork; E. W. Weaver, West Jefferson; J. B. Calloway, Obids; Don C. Bare, Peak Creek; J. W. Waddell, Walnut Hill; S. M. Stansberry, Elk; J. A. Reeves, West Jefferson; Thomas Goss, Sr., Horse Creek; R. S. Bumgarner, West Jefferson; John Roark, Clifton; James Taylor, Harrigan; A. A. Rash, Walnut Hill, J. H. Lewis, North Fork.

Second week: C. H. Williams, Old Fields; G. W. Blevins, Walnut Hill; A. H. Church, Pine Swamp; J. W. Duncan, Old Fields; J. S. Stephens, North Fork; G. V. Eller, Clifton; J. E. Johnston, Pine Swamp; T. E. Campbell, West Jefferson; J. A. Fender, Chestnut Hill; Robert G. Barr, West Jefferson; L. L. Hart, Harrigan; W. S. Sturgill, Chestnut Hill; B. R. Poe, Jefferson Noah Greer, Pine Swamp; J. B. Gentry, Old Fields; Fred Miller, Clifton; Austin Houck, Old Fields; Wiley Hartsof, Walnut Hill; T. S. Latham, Creston; Foster Eldreth, Horse Creek; C. P. Brinegar, Helton; Wade H. Jones, Clifton; Judson Blevins, Walnut Hill; Squire Clark, Harrigan.

Virginia Breeders to Sell Cattle May 19

Consignment of High Grade Cattle to Be Sold to High Bidder at Dublin, Va.

The Southwest Virginia Shorthorn Breeders Association will hold their annual sale at Dublin, Virginia, May 19, starting promptly at 1:00 p. m. The consignment of 22 bulls, most of which are of breeding age and the 20 females come from nine of the leading Shorthorn herds in the state.

The Polled consignment comes from the R. P. Adams herd at Whitethorn, Virginia and represents 68 years of continuous constructive breeding. Such bulls as Golden Ring Janitor, Rodney, Oakwood Bandmaster, Fancy Sultan, Ceremonious Browndale and Oakwood Royal King are found in the pedigrees of this good herd.

The Crockett entries are all sired by Type's Romper, a good son of Sni-A-Bar Type, out of a Whitehall Sultan cow. The entire offering traces to Cruickshank breeding and are recognized as good doing cattle throughout the south.

The two females and one bull making up the J. C. Eelder consignment all trace to good Scotch families. The present herd sire is Robinhood Chief, a son of the 1934 champion Reveal Masterpiece.

Kirkland Farms are using Brown-dale Diamond and Royal Brown-dale as herd sires and both are rich in the blood of Brown-dale Count and Whitehall Sultan. There are some herd bull prospects in the six young bulls coming from this herd. Cattle from the other herds represent similar breeding and quality.

Many of the females in this offering will be well along in calf by sale time, affording an excellent opportunity to buy the two in one kind that are always cheap buys.

The bulls are largely of breeding age and have been well developed. The members of the animal husbandry department at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute have had an opportunity to see these animals and will be glad to furnish detailed description upon request.

DAIRYMEN TO MEET 21ST

The Ashe County Dairymen's Association will hold its regular meeting on Friday, May 21, at Walter Pennington's. This date has been changed from May 13, which was previously announced.