

what you have to sell or what you want to buy in The Skyland Post which is read in more than 90 percent of the homes in Ashe.

to The Skyland Post if you're not already a subscriber and if you are keep up with label on your paper that gives final date.

Thousands See King of England at Coronation

Local People Hear Ceremony Over WBT at 4:15 O'Clock Wednesday Morning

CORONATIONS ARE COSTLY

Undaunted by a cold, drizzling rain, throngs estimated at over 1,000,000 persons fought and jammed their way into the streets between Buckingham palace and Westminster Abbey early Wednesday morning in London to watch the coronation procession of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

The outpouring was the largest crowd in London since the funeral of King George V 16 months ago, a vast assortment of shivering, bedraggled but happy human beings who cheered wildly at the sight of the gilded coach of state and the various mounted military contingents.

Thousands stayed up all night to make sure of vantage points. With the bus strike still in progress thousands walked miles for the chance to see and to get soaked to the skin. By 6 a. m., the streets along the route were black with men, women and children huddled under newspapers, blankets, wraps, and umbrellas, but who joked, laughed and stomped their feet in efforts to relieve the monotony of the wait and the cold.

Throughout the day the festive mood of the London masses defied the dreary weather.

Coronations are costly. The British government is spending more than \$2,000,000 for the crowning of George VI.

A duke attending the ceremonies must pay up to \$600 for his robes. A duchess pays twice that much.

A good grandstand seat for the procession costs as high as \$250—though many may be had for less. Accommodations for visitors vary from one dollar for a night's lodging to \$5,000 for the week.

Some coronation day dinners will cost \$25 per plate.

The beverage bill for coronation day is expected to total \$10,000,000—three times as much as usual.

Visitors from Europe are expected to spending some \$15,000,000 during their coronation visits.

It was estimated American visitors will spend an average of at least \$400 each.

Throughout the far-flung British empire spectacular celebrations marked coronation day, with parades, fireworks, royal salutes, banquets. Here is how some of the distant British communities will observe London's great day:

Canada—A general holiday halted the Dominion's normal activities as the government and municipalities spend an estimated \$1,000,000 to honor the new King.

Australia—Because of the difference in time, Australian ceremonies ended when those in London began. The great Sydney harbor bridge illuminated, ships in the harbor flaunted gala banners.

New Zealand—The government spent \$100,000 on decorations and other festive preparations.

South Africa—Zulus at Ladysmith were staged a coronation dance in full warpaint. All four provincial capitals were decked in their best when a 21-gun salute at Cape Town boomed forth news that George VI has been crowned.

India—The varied races of India celebrated in honor of the new King-Emperor with special ceremonies and balls.

British Guiana—The Legislature set aside \$5,000 for the celebrations.

Palestine—Bonfires of olive wood blaze held on the ancient Biblical hills of Palestine as British troops stage a military review. Illuminated airplanes flew over Jerusalem.

Cooking School to Be Held Here 19th

Northwest Utilities to Sponsor School Similar to One Last Year; to Give Prizes

The Northwest Utilities will again sponsor a cooking school in this city. The school will follow the lines of the one held last year and will be held at the Parkway Theatre in West Jefferson under the direction of the expert cook, Miss Mary Brown Allgood.

The public is invited and no admission is charged. Prizes will be given away and several demonstrations will be made of actual cooking.

The meeting will be held Wednesday afternoon, May 19, at two o'clock.

BRIEF NEWS

From the State and Nation

ROOSEVELT ON HIS WAY HOME

President Roosevelt traveled across the rolling hills of Texas yesterday toward Fort Worth on the first leg of his return from a gulf fishing expedition.

He told crowds along the way in Texas that he had enjoyed a "wonderful" fishing vacation in the Lone Star state's "hospitable waters."

MICHIGAN GIRL HAS 'BREAKABLE BODY'

The "girl with the unbreakable body" may well be a title affixed to Dorothy Smith, 12, of Muskegon, Mich. For Dorothy has just had her 14th fracture, her right leg, in a fall in her home. Her right arm was still in a cast from a fracture received in September when she fell. Her right leg has been broken four times, her right foot once, her left leg four times and her right arm five times!

MRS. BOST RE-ELECTED AS HEAD OF WELFARE

Raleigh, May 11.—Mrs. W. T. Bost, who has served as commissioner charities and public welfare since April 1, 1930, was re-elected today at the first meeting of the newly appointed state welfare board.

The board went to work on the county boards which are jointly elected by the county commissioners, by the state board of charities and public welfare, and by the combined appointments.

BOY ADMITS TO DROWNING

Lieut. Jos. Summercale said a nine-year-old boy admitted in a statement in Philadelphia Wednesday that he pushed John Stanton Tighe, Jr., seven, missing from his home since yesterday, into the Schuylkill river.

Summercale said the boy, Jas. Brady, told detectives that he twice pushed John toward the stream just to frighten him, then pulled him back. The third time, he said, his hand slipped and the Tighe boy fell into the water.

Last July Brady was given a pair of shoes by President Roosevelt after the chief executive heard that the boy wore out his shoes trying to get into Franklin Field to hear his acceptance speech.

FLOWERS CAUSE BOY'S DEATH

Striding homeward with wild honeysuckles he picked for Mother's day, William Melvin Clay, 10, in Atlanta, Ga., bent over to gather up blossoms that spilled from his arms to a railroad path.

A freight locomotive dashed out his life. But today the flowers stood in a vase in Mrs. Clay's room just as William wanted it. A friend gathered them from the track.

DICTATOR SHOUTS IMPERIAL POWER

Benito Mussolini marked Italy's celebration of the first anniversary of the new Roman empire with a warning to any who may interfere with the "thousands-of-years-old civilizing mission of Italy" in Africa.

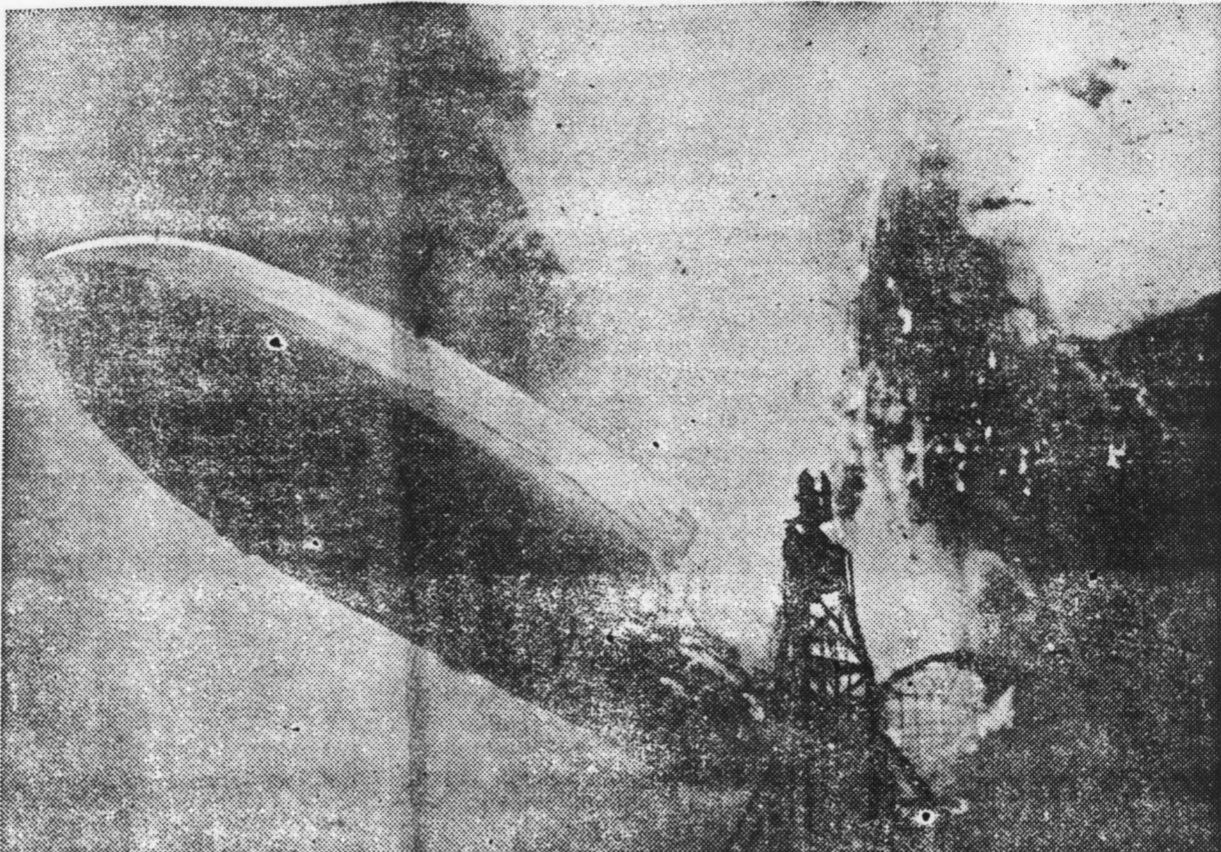
To mark the day Il Duce gave the modern Imperial City one of those tremendous spectacles with which he has sought to restore the glories on ancient Rome.

CLYDE HOEY TO OPEN SAFETY CONFERENCE

Raleigh, May 12.—Gov. Clyde R. Hoey will open the Eighth Annual State-Wide Safety Conference at Winston-Salem, May 20th and 21st. National and State safety authorities will discuss highway, home and industrial accident prevention.

The annual Safety Conference is sponsored by the Industrial Commission and the public is invited to attend. Safety is everybody's problem.

Many Die in Zeppelin Hindenburg Explosion



This remarkable picture was made just as the giant German dirigible Hindenburg burst into flames and exploded as it was preparing to land at Lakehurst, N. J., following a flight from Germany. Ninety-eight persons aboard were plunged to earth in the flaming wreckage. Thirty-four died almost instantly and of the 64 rescued, many were horribly injured. An explosion of a gas cell in the stern was blamed for the disaster.

COMMANDED ZEPPELIN



The dirigible Hindenburg's 1937 maiden voyage which ended in flaming disaster when the airship exploded just before landing at Lakehurst, N. J., marked the first time that Capt. Max Pruss commanded the sky liner on a flight from Germany to the United States. Last year he was a subordinate officer when Capt. Ernst A. Lehmann and Dr. Hugo Eckener, the veteran Zeppelin expert, handled the ship on her regular passenger schedule. He was schooled in Zeppelin work for a quarter of a century.

FINE PROSPECTS FOR GOOD FRUIT CROP HERE

Old-timers report that the prospects this year seem to be the best in years for a bumper fruit crop. The bloom on all the fruit trees was much heavier than usual and in spite of the late cold spring and several frosts, little of the fruit has been damaged. Unless something unforeseen happens, the late summer and fall will see apples going to waste and there will be enough cherries for the birds and the people.

Services at St. Mary's

There will be Service of the Holy Communion on White Sunday, May 16, at 11 o'clock, at St. Mary's Church, Beaver Creek. This is the Feast of the Holy Spirit. Rev. George W. Hurlbut, of Jefferson, will have charge and preach.

LEGEND OF THE DOGWOOD

As the dogwood tree is Virginia's state flower and is so loved by Tennessee that it has been adopted, this beautiful legend will no doubt create a greater interest decorative tree. It is already widely planted and is equally loved by both states.

According to the legend . . . in the time of Christ, the dogwood tree was supposed to have attained the size of the oak and other forest trees, and so strong and firm was the wood of the tree that it was chosen as the timber for the cross.

The trees were greatly distressed at having been chosen for the cruel purpose, and Jesus, sensing their regret and pity for His suffering, made this promise:

"Never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used

Committee Cuts in Half Parkway Appropriation

Painters' Meeting at Parker Tie Co. 20th

Prospective Builders and Others Interested Invited; Favors to Be Given Away

A meeting designed to be of interest especially to painters, and those who are planning to have painting done has been arranged to be held at the Parker Tie Company in West Jefferson on Thursday evening, May 20, at 7:30. The public is invited to attend and souvenirs will be given away.

A series of moving pictures will be presented for the entertainment and enlightenment of the guests and refreshments will be served.

The company will also use this occasion as a sort of housewarming for their friends to celebrate the new quarters they have recently occupied and the enlarged line of stock they have purchased and have on hand for inspection.

Engineers Arrive to Survey Route No. 16

Trade-Warrens Road to Be Surveyed; Hope Renewed for Early Contract

Guy Lillard of the state department of engineering and a crew of eight engineers arrived in the city the first of the week to begin work on surveying route 16 from Warrentonville, N. C., to Trade, Tenn.

The arrival of the engineers has renewed the hope that the citizens of the county have that the much needed road might be included in the July road allotment budget and let under an early contract.

Mr. Lillard states that plans have been made for making a partial relocation of the road from West Jefferson toward Boone which is known as U. S. Highway 221.

Doughton Is Strongest Hope to Help Retrieve Ground Lost in Drive for Economy

CUT IN FUND UNEXPECTED

Washington, May 11.—The economy wave started lapping today right at the feet of members of the North Carolina delegation when the house appropriations committee cut in half the \$5,000,000 allowed by the budget for pushing construction on the park-to-park highway during the next fiscal year. It might have been worse than this had it not been for the timely intervention of Representative Woodrum, of Virginia, who are members of the appropriations committee, but are not members of the subcommittee having this section of the interior department bill in charge.

The interior department supply bill carries appropriations reaching the grand total of \$120,000,000, but when members began thinking seriously of economy few individual provisions were dealt with more severely than was the one relating to the parkway that is to link the Shenandoah and the Great Smoky Mountain National park. The blow was unexpected because \$10,000,000 was earmarked in the regular road bill passed during the last session for highways connecting the national parks, and members had come to regard this construction work as an obligation entered into by the federal government when the states performed their part of the agreement in acquiring the land.

This is one view of the government's contractual obligations, but on the other hand it is admitted that the government is not obligated to do more than it can afford, and members are beginning to realize that the federal authorities have been forging ahead with its spending program, pump priming and the like, by virtue of borrowed money.

The parkway was to run a distance of about 477 miles in Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee, 75 of which have been completed. It had been planned during the next fiscal year to allocate for construction work \$3,000,000 in North Carolina, and \$2,000,000 in Virginia. A reduction of the park fund to \$2,500,000 might slow down the work on the parkway seriously, but it is possible that something can be done about it. Representative Doughton and other members directly concerned are engaged in an effort to get their bearings, and will endeavor to retrieve the ground lost today.

It is apprehended that another difficulty will arise when the interior department bill is brought to the floor. Some member of the appropriations committee will probably move to strike out this entire provision, leaving nothing at all for the parkway, but it is believed that if the worst comes to the worst the \$2,500,000 as approved by the committee can be held in the bill. Thereafter any effort that is made to shift the full amount needed for the parkway to the interior department would doubtless have the support of the President.

County Agent Urges Sheets to Be Filled

Ashe Farmers Receiving About 20 Thousand Dollars for Soil Conservation

The following letter is being sent out from County Agent Rich's office in Jefferson to the farmers in the county:

Dear Sir:—Since the farmers of Ashe county who participated in the 1936 Soil Conservation Program are receiving approximately twenty thousand dollars toward helping them improve their soils, we are writing to tell you something of the 1937 program.

The program for this year (1937) is similar to the one for last year (1936). But, as of last year, it is required that a work sheet be filled by the operator of the farm before payments can be made.

Work sheets for the 1937 program are now being filled. You may fill one with your community committeeman in your township or in the county agent's office in the courthouse at Jefferson. It is advisable to fill out a work sheet as soon as possible.

The Soil Conservation Program aims at aiding farmers improve and conserve their soils by a better balanced system of farming. Payments are made for seeding grasses and legumes; (clovers, etc.) applying lime; for the use of phosphate and potash fertilizers on soil conserving crops; (grasses, legumes, etc.) for turning under green manure crops; for planting forest trees; and for approved terracing and subsoiling.

There is also provision for a diversion payment of soil depleting crops when grown in excess of home needs.

Every farm for which a work sheet is filled has a soil building allowance. The amount of the soil building payment will not be greater than the soil building allowance for the farm even though more is done in the carrying out of soil building practices. There is to be a deduction from any other payment due if tobacco is grown without a tobacco base.

Every farmer is invited to take part in the program. Be sure to fill out a work sheet if you have not already done so.

Please feel free to call at our office for additional information.—C. J. RICH, County Agent.

Mrs. Timmons Dies in High Point Hospital

Resident of City Succumbs to Long Illness; Funeral to Be Held Thursday

Mrs. C. M. Timmons, resident of this city, died in the Burrus Memorial Hospital Tuesday night following a series of illnesses and bad health that covered the last five years. Funeral services will be held at the home of her sister, Mrs. Thomas J. Gold, in Sedgewick, this afternoon.

Mrs. Timmons came to West Jefferson three years ago in search of health and regained enough to identify herself with the social, business, and civic affairs of the city. She was elected secretary and treasurer of the Ashe County Woman's Club and held the office until forced to resign because of illness. She also served as bookkeeper for the Skyland Post. She was an ardent booster for the town and the county, often declaring that while she had travelled over the United States and in foreign countries, she loved the hills and the people in Ashe best. She built a home here and was making preparations to return to it the latter part of the week to spend her remaining days.

A Presbyterian and a consecrated Christian, Mrs. Timmons was unable to do active church work but she constantly helped others. She never heard of a case of need that she did not help if possible with food or clothes, although more than often the help was given anonymously.

Mrs. Timmons belonged to one of the first families of Guilford county. She had been actively identified with newspaper work in Louisville, Ky., and for several years was a leading critic for the plays proposed for acceptance by the Washington Square Players in New York City.

Mrs. B. E. Reeves, Miss Ruth Reeves, and Miss Fannie Blevins left Wednesday afternoon for High Point to attend the funeral.