



# The Skyland Post

## Plans Made To Save County Funds By Commissioners

### List Of Jurors Drawn For Oct. Term Of Court

Judge Z. V. Nettles To Preside; Schedule To Open On October 22

At the meeting of the county commissioners on Monday, the list of jurors for the October term of court was drawn. This session of superior court, for the trial of criminal cases, is scheduled to open on October 22 with Judge Z. V. Nettles, of Asheville, presiding.

The list of jurors is as follows: T. J. Sheets, Frank Taylor, Robert Denny, E. F. Dancy, Ben H. Blevins, Bert Price, Gene Lambert, Lester Pasley, Lester Hartsog, R. C. Hartsoe, Bart Key, Donald Jones, Vance Phillips, A. L. Cox, Dwight Cooper, Charlie Shepherd, Rayburn Houck, James Ham, Carl F. Colvard, C. M. Payne, Joe Wood, F. L. Osborne, J. N. Brown, Kay Hardin, Harley Senter, James Brooks, J. D. Church, Clark Blevins, Spencer Wyatt, Monroe Welch, Worth Hart E. W. Phipps, Floyd Denney, Clay Cox, F. F. Absher, Marvin Wilcox, L. D. Patrick, James Roark, F. M. Perry, B. F. Cook, E. H. Handy, Hugh Osborne.

### Senter Ass'n To Meet This Week

Will Convene At The Riverview Primitive Baptist Church, Friday

The ninety-second annual session of the Senter District Primitive Baptist Association will meet at the Riverview Primitive Baptist church on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 7 through Sept. 9, it has been announced.

The Elder Dewey Roten will deliver the introductory sermon. A number of visiting elders are expected to attend and will take part on the programs that are planned. Several important business matters will also be discussed. It was explained.

Elder Ed Davis, of Tuckerdale, is moderator of the association, and G. E. Kilby, of Crumpler, is the clerk.

### Ration Board To Close Saturdays

It was announced here this week that according to new regulations the local War Price and Rationing board would only remain open five days a week, Monday through Friday and would be closed on Saturday.

It was also announced that because of the decrease in rationing points the personnel of the local office would be decreased.

### Changes Made By Draft Board

Mrs. Louis J. Yelanjian, chief clerk of the local draft board, announced this week that hereafter the office would be closed all day on Saturday instead of only half the day and that members of the board would meet each Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock instead of Friday afternoon, as in the past. "Except for these changes the office hours will remain the same," she explained.

### Mrs. Mary Smith Buried Monday

Funeral service was held on Monday morning at 11:00 o'clock for Mrs. Mary Smith, 85, of Jefferson, who died at her home on Saturday, Sept. 1, after suffering an attack of paralysis. The service, which was held at the home, was conducted by Elder Dewey Roten. Burial followed at the family cemetery.

Mrs. Smith, the daughter of Uriah Boggs and Rebecca Fowler Boggs, was preceded in death by her husband, James N. Smith. She is survived by the following children: H. H. Smith, Texas; Cyphus Smith and Q. E. Smith, of Jefferson, and Mrs. Ellen Ashley, of Wilbar.

### Ashe Man Making Pictures On Guam



Roy W. Poe, 24, Pharmacist's Mate, First Class, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Poe, of West Jefferson, is shown at work in a laboratory on Guam, where he is attached to a Navy Research Unit, studying parasitology. He was formerly connected with this paper.

### Tribute Is Paid To Men Of World War II By American Legion At Victory Meeting

Importance Of Keeping A Permanent Peace Is Cited By Speakers

The important part they must play in keeping the peace which they have fought for was pointed out to veterans of World War II at the victory meeting sponsored by the Ashe Post 171, of the American Legion, on Monday night at the community building, when a large crowd of veterans from both world wars were present.

"Let us all be grateful to the Almighty that Old Glory still stands," Ira T. Johnston, speaker, said before leading the group in a salute to the flag.

On behalf of the American Legion, he expressed deep appreciation for the efforts made by those who fought and won the present war. He spoke of the spirit of unity with which the war had been won and said, "Let us keep that spirit of unity and win a just and lasting peace."

He spoke briefly on the principles for which the American Legion stands and extended the invitation of membership to veterans of World War II.

Commander L. B. Tyson, who was in charge of the meeting. (Continued on Page Four)

### Lamb Pool To Be Held Here Friday

The fourth and last 1945 Ashe county lamb pool will be held at the West Jefferson Stock Yards on Friday from 8:00 a. m., until 12:00 noon. "As this is the last pool, all farmers who have lambs or sheep that they wish to sell on the meat market should bring them in at this time," L. E. Tucker, county agent, said.

Lambs and sheep sold through the pool will be eligible for the subsidy, he explained.

### Ashe Man Now Attending The University Of Paris

Paris—While awaiting shipment back to the United States, Private First Class Joseph R. Thompson, 26, of Grassy Creek, is participating in the army's new educational program as a student of French language and civilization at the Sorbonne, University of Paris.

Pfc. Thompson took part in five combat campaigns since his arrival overseas in February, 1944.

Paris Study Center is operated as part of the Army Education Program being conducted through the Information and Education Division, USFET, headed by Brig. Gen. Paul W. Thompson. The two-month French language and civilization course now being given at the Sorbonne of the University of Paris is the first

### Many Attended Baptist Ass'n At Little Helton

Unusually Good Program Was Carried Out; Visiting Speakers

The three-day session of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association, which convened at the Little Helton Baptist Church on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, had exceptionally good attendance for all of the sessions, with interesting and instructive programs carried out.

Among the out-of-county visitors taking part on the program were: M. A. Huggins, secretary of the N. C. Baptist Convention; Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of the Baptist orphanage at Thomasville; Dr. Kendall, Bible professor at Mars Hill College; Rev. R. M. Hauss, Methodist minister of Shelby, representing the Allied (Continued on Page Four)

### Methodist Group To Present Play

The Methodist Youth Fellowship, an organization of 24 members, will present a play entitled, "The Old Maids' Club," by Marie Butterfield, Saturday evening, September 8, at eight o'clock at West Jefferson High School auditorium.

The production is under the direction of Miss Myrtle Dean Graybeal, who is being assisted by members of the Youth Fellowship.

A small admission fee will be charged and it was announced that the public will receive more than an hour of entertainment. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Extension Of Bus Lines For Schools Not Approved

Road Conditions, Chief Objection Officials Point Out

B. H. Duncan, superintendent of schools, said this week that he regretted that a number of extensions for school bus lines in the county were not approved by the representative of the N. C. Department of Education, Delphos Dark, who made the survey last week.

Mr. Dark gave his reason for not extending the lines in most cases, the bad condition of the roads over which extensions would necessitate bus travel.

It was pointed out by both Mr. Duncan and Harry Koontz, who made the surveys with Dark, that in most cases, the extensions were needed but that they had to have the approval from the State Department before they could be included.

Mr. Duncan said that the present routes necessitated several children walking two miles and some even more. "I hope that we can get more of our rural roads improved in the near future so that the officials from Raleigh will approve the needed extensions," he said.

### Plans For Church Services Made

Special Arrangements Made For Churches Formerly Served By B. A. Meeks

Meeting at Jefferson Presbyterian Church, Winston-Salem Presbytery last Thursday granted B. A. Meek's request to be dismissed to Knoxville Presbytery in the Synod of Appalachia. A. R. Vail brought the concurring request of Jefferson Presbyterian Church, while Elder Walter Lansing brought that of the church in West Jefferson. Mr. Meeks is to be assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Knoxville, having as his new charge the Houston Street Chapel as well as Lebanon Church, the oldest Presbyterian Church in Knox county. He will also be entrusted with the building and organizing of a new church in suburban Knoxville.

Preaching services will continue in all four of the Ashe county churches being vacated by Mr. (Continued on Page 4)

### Rotary Program Given By Duncan

Tom Duncan, program chairman for the regular meeting last week of the Jeffersons Rotary Club, gave a program built around the August issue of the Rotarian, the club's magazine, and handed out a set of 15 questions about the different articles and pictures in this issue and requested each member to answer and return them at the meeting tonight. He stated that his object was to create more interest in reading the magazine.

J. H. Stafford, president of the Rotary club in Bishopville, S. C., was present and made several remarks about his home club. He also discussed the benefits of being a Rotarian and the contacts one makes in the different vocations in other clubs.

### Rationing Guide

**MEATS AND FATS**  
Red Stamps, V2, W2, X2, Y2, Z2, now valid, expire September 30; A1, B1, C1, D1, E1, now valid, expire October 31; F1, G1, H1, J1, K1, now valid, expire November 30; L1, M1, N1, P1, Q1 now valid, expire December 31.

**SUGAR**  
Sugar Stamp No. 38 becomes good September 1, expires December 31.

**SHOES**  
Airplane Stamps No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, now good.

### Picks Up Passengers On The Fly



Coastguardsman Bradley Van Brunt of Milwaukee, Wis., seated in sling, is being raised into the helicopter from a speedboat, proving that it will not be necessary for helicopters to stop for passengers, but can pick them up on the fly—if the passengers are willing.

### Hundreds Of Ashe Men Now Discharged From Service; More Are Expected Soon

Electrical Co-op To Hold Meet In Lenoir On Sat. Fifteen Directors To Be Elected; Reports Are Also To Be Heard

It was announced this week that the annual meeting of the members of the Blue Ridge Electric Membership Cooperative would be held at the courthouse in Lenoir, N. C., at 10 o'clock on Saturday. The purpose of the meeting is to take action on the reports of the officers, directors and committees and for the election of 15 directors of the Co-operative, it was explained. (Continued on Page 4)

### Youths Injured In Collisions

Motorcycles and bicycles proved to be the source of two accidents here during the past several days. Todd Caudill, of West Jefferson, who was riding a motorcycle, ran into an automobile driven by Clifford Medley last Friday near West Jefferson. He was taken to the Ashe Hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

Two boys, William Scott and Jody Taylor, of Todd, who were riding on a bicycle down a steep hill near their home, ran into a car on Sunday night. William Scott received a badly broken leg in the accident and is now a patient at the Ashe hospital. Jody Scott returned to his home after being treated for minor bruises and cuts. The bicycle was completely torn up and the car was also damaged.

No action was taken in either of the cases.

### Modification Of Points Expected To Bring A Big Increase

According to official records, more than 300 Ashe men and women who have served in the various branches of service during the past war have been given their releases from service and many of them have returned to their homes here.

Under the modification of the requirement of points, more can be expected in the near future.

The army announced, effective this week, all enlisted personnel of 35 years or over—who have had a minimum of two years of honorable military service—will be released from the army upon application. The previous age limit was 38.

The War Department also announced that the critical score for discharge of enlisted men was cut from 85 to 80, and for enlisted WACs from 44 to 41. Points of (Continued on Page 4)

### Denver Blevins Coming To Ashe

Ashe county will welcome back one of its outstanding ministerial students this Sunday, when Denver S. Blevins, of Apple Grove, preaches at the eleven o'clock service at Lansing Presbyterian Church and at 3:00 p. m. at Gillespie Presbyterian Church, Apple Grove.

A member of the rising Senior class of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va., Mr. Blevins has been summer pastor of the chapel work of the Vanguard Presbyterian Church, Raleigh. He is regarded as one of the most compelling preachers of his class and is held in high esteem by those who have worked with him in the past.

### Rules Suggested For Sending Overseas Christmas Packages

Millions of Christmas gifts will go overseas again this year to our armed forces. It will be especially difficult to deliver these gifts safely and on time, the army and navy point out, unless families of service men and women cooperate in starting them off right. The following rules are therefore suggested for mailing Christmas packages abroad:

1. If your soldier is en route home or about to come home, don't send him a Christmas package.
2. Use his latest address and be sure it's complete and accurate; name, rank, serial number, organization, APO, in care of postmaster at port of embarkation. Address it—then check it.
3. Mail Christmas gifts over-

seas from September 15 to October 15. In the army, this is the only time you can mail a parcel overseas without a written request from your soldier. But—

4. If there's a reason to believe he may move to a new location, it's safer to wait till you can mail your gift to the new address—even if this means asking him for a letter requesting your gift so that you can mail it after October 15.
5. Use a heavy box and strong cord. (Government - approved overseas boxes can be bought at retail stores.)
6. Send only usable gifts like tinned dried fruit, canned luxury foods, razor blades, fountain pens, wallets, watches, etc.
7. Don't mail perishable foods. (Continued on Page 4)

### To Seek Lower Interest Rate In Bond Program

Resolution Passed At Meeting On Monday; Bonds Are Callable Dec. 1

At the meeting of the Ashe county commissioners on Monday, plans were set in motion that may save the county a good sum of money in the refunding program of the road and bridge bonds if they can be sold at a lower rate of interest.

The resolution passed by the commissioners provides a reissuing of the bonds which are callable on December 1 and placing them on the market, since it is believed that they can be sold at a lower rate of interest than the county is now paying.

The principal of the bonds outstanding is \$1,028,000. It was pointed out that the present condition of the bond market would probably make it possible to secure a rate of interest lower than the present, which runs from three to four and one-half percent.

The matter has been discussed with the local government commission and the resolution regarding the plan will be published in full, next week. Members of the board of county commissioners said they were anxious to save the county money on the bonded indebtedness and felt that it could be done at this time.

### Mt. Union Ass'n Convened Friday

Was Held At The Silas Creek Baptist Church Near Lansing

The seventy-ninth annual meeting of the Mountain Union Baptist Association met at the Silas Creek Baptist church, two miles from Lansing, on Piney Creek, last Friday and Saturday, with a good attendance.

Elder Coy Powers, of Grassy Creek, delivered the opening message. Several visiting preachers also participated in the program.

Important business matters as well as plans for the coming year were discussed.

Elder James Barker, of Troutdale, Va., is moderator of the association and E. W. Stansberry, of Lansing, is clerk.

### Sheep Raising In Ashe Profitable

"There is money in sheep-raising," says Robert S. Curtis, sheep marketing specialist in charge of the State Agriculture Department's project to add to North Carolina's wool-bearing population and reports the following facts:

A year ago, J. E. Oliver, of Fig, purchased seven old ewes for \$28. The wool sold for \$22.50. Six of the ewes had twins, one had triplets, and the 15 lambs were raised. Oliver sold 10 lambs and three old ewes last week for \$151.36, leaving four old ewes and five ewe lambs on the farm. The recent Government subsidy on sheep raised total receipts from the seven old ewes to \$196—seven times the original investment.

And that's why Curtis says, "There is money in sheep."

### Burial Sunday For Estel Hurley

Funeral service was conducted at the residence on Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock for Estel Hurley, 59, who died at his home on Friday, August 31, after suffering from heart trouble for sometime. The Rev. Mr. Burkett and the Rev. Wiley Blackburn conducted the service and burial followed at the Scott cemetery.

Mr. Hurley was a native of Ashe county, the son of William Hurley and Linda Denney Hurley. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bettie Hurley and the following children: Willie, Anson, Gilbert, Jess, Mary, Ophelia, Stella, Bobbie and Jack.