

## Finals In Basketball Tournament Saturday Night

### House Favors Investigation Of State Boards

Measure Is Licked For Daylight Savings Time In North Carolina

By Staff Writer  
Raleigh—(Special)—With still much to be accomplished before adjournment, which has been talked of for this week members of the house of the general assembly Tuesday passed on its third reading a joint resolution which would authorize the governor to name a commission to investigate the state's 21 licensing and regulatory boards.

The proposal, introduced in the house of Rep. Sims of Mecklenburg and others, has been sent to the senate.

After a lengthy—at time angry—debate, the house voted down 48-36 a measure to reduce powers of the state board of barber examiners. The bill would repeal a requirement that a barber whose license has expired must take an examination to regain his license.

After defeat of the measure, a motion to adjourn prevented consideration of four other measures to reduce powers of the barber board.

The house, meeting in a late afternoon session, also passed on third reading a bill which would remove the debt limitation for the state, counties and municipalities.

Present debt limitation law requires that the state cannot issue bonds, save for necessary expenses, without a vote of the people, except in the amount of three-fifths of the debt repaid during the preceding biennium.

The same limitation now applies to counties and municipalities, with the specification that the repaid debt applies to the previous year instead of biennium.

Daylight Savings Bill Killed  
After some debate, the house killed a bill which provided for (Continued on Page Five)

### Jefferson School To Have Program

Public Invited To Fashion Show And Presentation Of Comedy

The public is invited to attend a fashion show to be given by the home economics department under the direction of Miss Jean Hoppers next Tuesday night, April 8, in the high school auditorium.

The Dramateers will also present their one act play "Pink and Patches" which they gave in the Western District Festival in Asheville recently. On Wednesday, April 9, the group will leave for Chapel Hill where they will give their play in competition with other schools from North Carolina in the annual Dramatics Festival.

### Number Games Irk Citizens

West Jefferson's telephone system jumped suddenly into the city class this week, without warning, as far as numbers go. Before this time a user had simply to give the name of the concern or individual wanted and it was rung. Now it has become necessary to look up the number and give it to the operator.

A member of the town board seems to have spoken the sentiments of most of the people when he declared that he did not mind giving them numbers provided they would give him the same services city systems do, when a number is asked for.

Because of the inability to get better service a number of people have voiced complaints about the new ruling that went into effect this week. "When I give them the number I still don't get it," one subscriber said.

### More Funds Needed To Reach Quota In Red Cross Campaign

NEW AGENT



Miss Ella Mae Crosby, new home agent for Ashe county.

### New Home Agent Started Work Here Yesterday

Will Help With H. D. Clubs As Well As The 4-H Clubs Of The County

Miss Ella Mae Crosby, newly appointed home demonstration agent for Ashe county, began work yesterday and visited some of the 4-H clubs with the assistant agent, O. L. Fulcher.

Miss Crosby, who comes from Spring City, Tennessee, is a graduate in home economics from the University of Tennessee and has also had graduate work at Iowa State College.

She has had some years of experience both as a home economics teacher and doing home agent work as well. During the past year she served about three years in the Waves.

Members of the extension department as well as local officials said they were happy to have Miss Crosby here, since the county has been short of an agent for nearly a year.

Miss Crosby said she was glad to be here and hoped that she could secure a car within a short time in order to carry on her work throughout the county.

### SERVICES HELD

Rev. Finley Miller held preaching services at the home of Floyd Church at Glendale Springs, Saturday night when a number of people were present.

### \$1634.56 Reported Through Yesterday; Reports To Be Turned In At Once

Reports yesterday afternoon reveal that the county is still \$675.44 short of the quota of \$2330, with a total of \$1,634.56 collected to date.

Churches, schools and individuals that have not turned in their collections are urged to do so at once. Every effort will be made to conclude the drive within the next few days.

"There are still a number of people, who have not sent in their contributions yet, that we are depending upon," Drive Chairman H. D. Quessenberry said.

Contributions not previously published include the following: W. E. Vannoy, \$25.00.

Mrs. W. H. Brown, Parkway Theatre, Charles Pritchard, \$10.00 each.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Oliver, John Hardin, George McGuire, Carl Hardin, \$5.00 each.

Laurel Fork School, Burnt Hill School, \$3.00 each.

Onna E. Darnell, Orion School, Quality Cleaners, Creston colored school, \$2.50 each.

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### Vet Farm Meeting To Be Held Apr. 10

Officials As Well As Others Interested Are Invited To Attend

It was announced this week by Upton Blevins that because of the severe snow storm on March 27, the A. C. E. meeting to which the American Legion, the V. F. W., the county officials, the editor of the Skyland Post, the high school principals, the high school committeemen and the general public were invited had to be postponed until April 10.

"It is expected that all those invited to the March 27 meeting will be at the courthouse in Jefferson at 7 o'clock p. m. Thursday, April 10. On that date all phases of the problem of farm schools for veterans through the establishment of Agriculture department in our high school will be discussed by the persons who should know most of the answers," Mr. Blevins said.

"It is hoped that at that time a committee will be selected to activate and lead the campaign to a successful conclusion. Every loyal Ashe county citizen, either veteran or non-veteran, should be vitally interested," Mr. Blevins declared.

### House Approves \$6,000,000 School Lunch Program Fund

Washington—With North Carolina Democrats in the forefront, the House Tuesday approved a deficiency appropriation of \$6,000,000 for continuation of the Federal aid school lunch program through the remainder of the current school term.

In many states, including North Carolina, increased costs during the present school year had exhausted by last week the funds originally intended to last throughout the Spring term.

The program in many localities has been continued this week on an emergency basis, with the brunt of the expense being borne by local authorities.

Yesterday's action by the House which is subject to final approval by the Senate, is believed in most quarters to virtually assure sufficient Federal funds for completion of the program this term.

\$3,500,000 Available  
The Department of Agriculture, which directs the Federal end of the program, said that it "was confident that the school lunch program can be carried out in all states participating." Officials re-

ported that approximately \$3,500,000 has been made available for reallocation by Federal authorities, primarily from states that did not put up as much money for Federal matching as had been estimated earlier.

### Laurel Springs Girl Buried Fri.

Funeral service for Minnie Lou Cox, 16-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cox, of Laurel Springs, was held Friday at the Transou Tabernacle with Rev. J. W. Luke officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Mrs. Jones, pastor of the church. Interment was in the Transou Methodist cemetery.

The young girl was reported to have been stricken with a heart attack last Wednesday night and died before she could reach the hospital.

### Sincere Wishes To All For A Joyous Easter



### Easter Seals On Sale This Week, Support Asked

Sale Sponsored By Rotary Club For Aid To Crippled Children

Easter Seals will go on sale this week end under the sponsorship of the Jeffersons Rotary club for aid to crippled children. It was also announced, that provided they arrive in time, the tiny Easter Lilies will be sold on the streets, Saturday.

The seal sale will be limited this year because of the illness of the chairman Gale B. McMillan. It was explained however, that since it is an annual event and that funds are realized from this to be used to aid crippled children in the county, the sale would be put on in a limited way, under the sponsorship of the Rotary Club.

Other Rotary members of the committee include Dr. Dean C. Jones, Dr. J. B. Porter, Coleman Payne and Herman Haire, W. B. Austin, president of the Rotary Club announced.

Miss Ruth Tugman, welfare superintendent will assist in the seal sale this year. The cooperation of the merchants, business men and all others interested is asked in the sale of these seals.

### Guernsey Group Is Making Plans

The second meeting of the Ashe County Guernsey Breeders Association was held Wednesday, March 26, at the Community house in West Jefferson, when J. A. Arcey, in charge of Dairy Extension, Dr. Elliott, in charge of artificial breeding in North Carolina, and F. R. Farnham, Extension Dairy Specialist, were present for this meeting.

The Association adopted the rules and by-laws, appointed a sales committee of Paul Shatley, Bower Walters, and Harvey Payne. The Association plans to sponsor the Annual Guernsey sale to be held some time in August. The group also agreed to help sponsor an artificial breeding set-up for Ashe county. J. E. Bradshaw, manager of Kraft Foods Company, said that his company would help buy bulls for this breeding association.

### Sheep Growers Meet Saturday

There will be an important meeting of the Ashe County Sheep Growers' Association Saturday morning, April 5, at 10:00 a. m. at the Courthouse. This meeting is important due to the fact that the year was up April 1. We hope to settle claims and renew the insurance. It is important for everybody that had sheep insured or plan to insure them to do so at once as your sheep are not covered with insurance at the present time.

### Sunrise Service And Many Other Special Observances Planned By Ashe Churches

### Jefferson And Lansing Enter State Debate

Boone, Lansing, Jefferson To Debate In Preliminaries Monday

On Monday night, April 7, the elimination contest between Lansing, Jefferson and Appalachian high school in the State triangular debating contest will be held to determine the winners for the district contest to be held the following week in Boone.

Lansing and Boone will debate at Jefferson; Boone and Jefferson at Boone. The public is cordially invited to attend. The subject this year, "Resolved That the Federal Government Should Provide Medical Care For All Citizens," should prove to be an interesting one.

### Jefferson Churches To Have Union Sunrise Service Sunday Morning

Easter will be fittingly observed in the churches of Ashe county this year with many special services over the week end, some of which will open at sunrise.

The churches of West Jefferson and Jefferson will again unite in holding an Easter sunrise service which will begin at six o'clock on the West Jefferson cemetery hill.

The Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of the two towns are taking part in the services and everyone is cordially invited to attend. This service was started last year when more than 200 people from many sections of the county were present.

It was announced that flowers were desired for the service and who can be asked to bring them. The West Jefferson high school band has been invited to (Continued on Page 4)

### School Patrons To Meet Monday

It was announced this week by Robert Davis, principal of West Jefferson high school, that there would be a very important meeting of all school patrons and friends of the school in the auditorium April 7 at 7:30 p. m.

"Every person, who is interested in the welfare of boys and girls in this school district are urged to be present," Mr. Davis said.

### Each Person Will Get More Sugar According To Plan

Washington — Prospects now are that each person in the country will be allotted sugar at the rate of three pounds a month until rationing ends October 31.

This amount, which is roughly 50 per cent more than the ration in 1946, was agreed on today by a senate-house committee adjusting senate and house versions of sugar legislation.

The three-pounds-per-month figure is on the basis of 35 pounds for a full year. Provision is made for an increase up to a rate of 50 pounds a year or slightly more than four pounds a month, should supplies permit it.

Both house and senate must approve the bill in its adjusted form. Then it will go to President Truman, who is expected to sign it. Otherwise the sugar controls would die on that day. With his signature, handling of sugar will pass from the OPA to the agriculture department.

Senator Tobey (R., N. H.) told reporters that the department will pass on to the house wife all

### Strip Poker Nets Loss To Two Men

Several Are Tried Before Mayor T. E. Parker And Fined

What apparently started out to be a conventional poker game last Thursday afternoon between friends in their room at the City Cafe and Hotel literally developed into a game of strip poker resulting in arrests as well as the alleged loss of \$282.00.

According to information revealed by officers, Herbert Seymour, of Wagoner, and Robert Lambert, of West Jefferson, were playing poker in a hotel room when Seymour is alleged to have robbed Lambert of \$282.00, assaulted him, ordered him to remove his clothes and go down stairs. Lambert appeared in the street clad only in his shorts, shivering in the extremely cold weather, and Deputy Sheriff Harvey Goodman was called in to make the arrest.

Both Lambert and Seymour were fined \$25.00 and the costs in Mayor's court on the charge of gambling, and Seymour was bound over to superior court on an \$800.00 bond on a grand larceny charge.

Others tried in Mayor's court on Monday included Earl Greer, of Jefferson, and Joe Arnold, of Spethport, both charged with (Continued on Page 5)

### Plan Sale For Feeder Calves

Plans for the tri-county feeder calf sale are still in progress. The meeting held at the Courthouse Thursday morning was not so well attended due to the snow, yet the men attending the meeting were intensely interested in the sale.

A committee was appointed to work with the committees of the other counties to arrange the details. On this committee are: J. W. Gambill, Floyd Miller, and George Shepherd. The exact date of the meeting of the three counties has not been set.

### Quiet Easter Is Expected

Easter is expected to be quietly observed in Ashe county with special services on Sunday in most of the churches. Most business houses are expected to be open as usual Monday morning. The Northwestern Bank will be closed, but the First National Bank will be open, however.

Most merchants report good Easter business during the past few days. Earlier business was greatly curtailed because of the cold weather, however.

The new allotment of sugar will allow for more Easter candy and cake. There are also some other Easter foods that are available for the first time since before the war.

A number of groups have planned egg hunts for the week end.

### Semi-Finals Are To Be Held Fri.; Attendance Good

All Of The Nine High Schools Of The County Are Participating

Ashe County High School's Annual Basketball Tournament, which got underway on Tuesday night and will be concluded Saturday night to determine the winners among the nine high school teams is drawing record crowds with fans having an opportunity of seeing some of the best games of the season.

The games are played every hour and the schedule for tonight is as follows:

6:00 o'clock — Elkland-West Jefferson girls.

7:00 o'clock—Elkland-Healing Springs boys.

8:00 o'clock—Virginia-Carolina-Fleetwood girls.

9:00 o'clock—West Jefferson-Lansing boys.

Friday Night  
6:00 o'clock—Winners of V-C-Fleetwood and Lansing-Healing Springs girls games.

7:00 o'clock—Winners of West Jefferson-Lansing and Nathan's Creek - Virginia - Carolina boys games.

8:00 o'clock—Winners of Elkland-West Jefferson and River-view-Jefferson girls games.

9:00 o'clock—Winners of Elkland-Healing Springs and Fleetwood-Jefferson boys games.

The finals Saturday night will star the winners of the Friday night's 6:00 and 8:00 o'clock girls games and the winners of Friday (Continued on Page 5)

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