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West Jefferson Bean Markets To Open Tuesday

Ashe Lamb Pool Postponed Until Early In July

Market Is Expected To Pick Up After July 4; Little Demand Now

H. D. Quessenberry, county agent, said yesterday that due to the flooded market and slight demand for lambs, that the lamb pool originally planned for this month had been postponed until a later date and would be held as early in July as conditions permit.

He pointed out that it probably will be held July 4 or July 8 and that a more definite announcement, pending market conditions would be made prior to that time. "We are anxious for the farmers to get as good a price as possible and do not want to put lambs on the market while it is flooded," Agent Quessenberry said.

Eisenhower To Go To Columbia

Accepts Presidency Of One Of Nations Largest Universities

Washington, — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the man who led victorious allied armies in Europe during World War II, disclosed Tuesday that he has accepted the presidency of Columbia university in New York effective next year.

He succeeds Nicholas Murray Butler, who retired in 1945 and is now Columbia's president emeritus.

Speculation over Eisenhower's successor as army chief of staff has been prominently on Gen. Omar N. Bradley, 54, one of the nation's top soldiers, who has been veterans administrator since Aug. 9, 1945.

Bradley served under Eisenhower as commander of American ground forces in the European campaign that brought the downfall of Hitler and Nazi Germany.

Eisenhower's decision to quit military life for an academic role at one of the nation's biggest universities was announced in a statement by Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, chief of the war department's public relations division.

The statement said the five-star general of the army accepted the Columbia post today "with the approval of the president of the United States and secretary of war" to become effective "at such time as his superiors may release him from active duty in the army."

The statement said that while the exact date could not be accurately foreseen, "with no radical change in the current outlook it should be sometime during the first of 1948."

Revival Is To Be Held At Todd

Revival services will begin at Blackburn's Chapel Methodist church at Todd on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. It was announced this week by Rev. Ernest Stephens.

Services will be held each evening at 8 o'clock and will continue through July 6. Rev. John H. Green, of Rock Springs, will be the evangelist.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services

Summer Arrives Cool And Damp

Summer officially arrived here on Saturday with some of the coolest weather that had been felt here in some weeks. The rains accentuated the coolness of the atmosphere and coats and fires were brought into use.

Friday night the thermometer dropped slightly below 40 degrees according to some unofficial reports.

The temperature remained unusually cool this week. Many summer visitors shivered even with their coats on.

\$239,600. Budget Proposed For Ashe; Tax Rate Is \$2.25

ROTARY SPEAKER



Dr. I. G. Greer, of Thomasville, who will be guest speaker at Rotary club tonight.

Dr. I. G. Greer Guest Speaker At Rotary Meet

Dinner Meeting Tonight At Healing Springs; Rotary-Anns Invited

Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, will be the guest speaker at the dinner meeting of the Jeffersons Rotary Club to be held tonight at 7:00 o'clock at the Healing Springs hotel.

Dr. Greer, who is also president of the Good Health Association, is well known and beloved here as all over the state where he is known throughout for his humanitarian activities.

Ladies' night is being observed by the club and Rotary-Anns and other especially invited guests will be present. A program of entertainment has also been planned which includes special musical selections under the direction of Mrs. J. Bruce Porter.

Speaking at the club last week was Rev. Hoyt Wood who spoke on the subject, "Club Service." Gale McMillan was in charge of the program.

BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Redolfi, of Baltimore, Md., and formerly of Ashe county, announce the arrival of a son, Charles Peter, on June 19, weight 6 lbs. 3 ounces.

Mrs. Redolfi was the former Miss Marian Williams, of West Jefferson.

Commissioners Met On Monday To Consider Proposed Budget For Year

A budget estimate for Ashe county for the fiscal year of 1947-48 setting up a total proposed expenditure of \$239,600.00 and fixing the tax rate at \$2.25, the same as that of last year, was submitted to the county commissioners on Monday by the county accountant, C. S. Neal.

The county's estimated taxable property is \$5,400,000.00. With the tax rate of \$2.25 the estimated tax levy is \$121,500.00 or \$109,350.00 after ten per cent is allowed for insolvents.

From tax penalties and costs, insolvent and intangible taxes and other similar sources the county expects to raise \$14,300 in addition to funds from state and federal social security.

The estimated budget, which is around \$35,000 more than last year, contains \$27,830.00 for schools, badly needed. There is also a slight increase in expenses of the welfare department, county agent's department and some of the others.

The budget, in full, showing how the funds are to be spent is published elsewhere in this paper.

Group Will Be Shown Film, Fri.

Bible School Commencement To Be Held Sun.; Rev. Joe Taylor To Preach

A movie will be shown at the Jefferson Methodist church, Friday night at 8:30 o'clock by Matthew Reynolds, it was announced yesterday. The public is cordially invited to be present.

A special program has been planned for the Jefferson church on Sunday when a commencement exercise will be held for children who have attended Bible school this week. The program will be held at 10:00 o'clock.

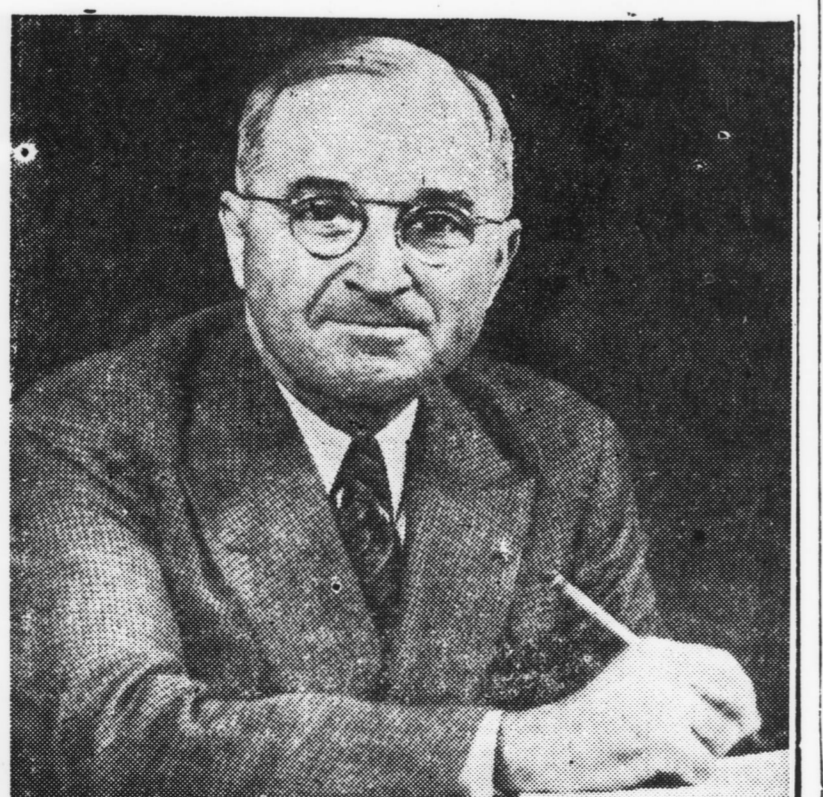
At 11:00, Rev. Joseph Taylor, former pastor of the Jefferson (Continued on Page 4)

HAMM REUNION TO BE HELD IN AUGUST

The Hamm reunion will be held on the 5th Sunday in August at the Liberty Baptist church, at Whitehead, three and one-half miles west of Sparta on Highway 18 between Sparta and Laurel Springs. It was announced here this week by Elder Willie Hamm.

A guest speaker will be present at the reunion. All relatives by blood or marriage are requested to attend, bring a basket lunch and spend the day.

Pres. Has Veto Overridden By Senate



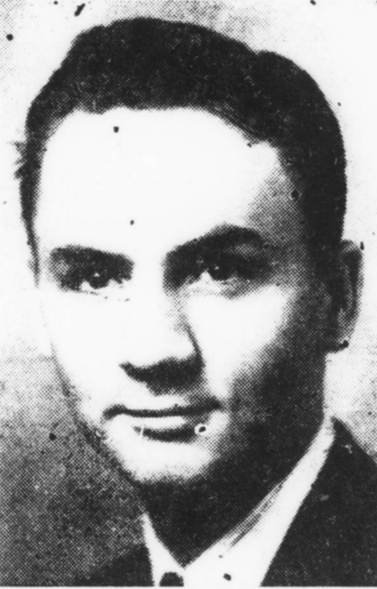
President Truman, who saw his veto overridden by the Senate on the Taft-Hartley Labor Control Bill, which was made a law.

Floods Ruin Towns And Farms In Des Moines River Valley



The town shown above, Red Rock, Ia., is in the Des Moines river valley, the center of Iowa's worst flood in history, in which many lost their lives and untold damage resulted to farm land and towns. The same story held in other states where high water flooded valuable farm land.

NAMED VFW SURGEON



Dr. Clyde Jones elected surgeon of the ninth district of the VFW at a meeting held in Lenoir, Sunday.

Pastors To Meet At Phenix Creek Church On Sat.

Regular Conference To Begin At 10:00; Public Is Invited

The regular conference for ministers and church workers of the Ashe association will meet at the Phenix Baptist church, Saturday morning beginning at ten o'clock. It was announced this week by Rev. R. C. Ashley, secretary.

An all day program has been planned and the public as well as the church workers are cordially invited to attend.

Speakers for the morning session will be Ira T. Johnston and Rev. W. F. Barker, who will speak on "The Progress Made By Ashe County Baptist Within The Past Fifty Years." The sermon will be delivered by Rev. R. C. Ashley at 11:30 o'clock.

The afternoon session will open at 1:30 o'clock with Rev. E. W. Powers and David Harless preaching on "Our Future Possibilities."

Plans for the association for the coming year will also be discussed and all members of the association are urged to be present.

John Nelson To Be Buried Today

Funeral service for John Nelson, 58, of Fleetwood, well-known Ashe county farmer, will be held this morning at 11 o'clock at the Big Flatts church. Interment will be in the church cemetery with Rev. C. C. Burkett officiating.

Mr. Nelson succumbed at his home on Tuesday. He was the son of the late Larkin Nelson and Serrv Nelson and was born in Watauga county.

He is survived by his wife, Nora Nelson.

To Start Re-Issuing N. C. Drivers' Licenses July 1; New Law Applies To All

New Safety Act To Make Drivers Use More Care

Speed Limit Set At 55-Miles-An-Hour; Must Be Financially Responsible

Beginning next Tuesday motorists will become acutely conscious of the efforts the 1947 Legislature made to curb accidents, by putting teeth into the "Motor Vehicle Safety and Responsibility Act," which becomes effective July 1.

Not only does this require the re-examination and re-issuance of driver license but includes a financial responsibility measure and an act to require mechanical inspection of motor vehicles, periodic reissuance of drivers' licenses (Continued on page 8)

Local VFW Men At District Meet

Dr. Clyde Jones was elected surgeon of the ninth district of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at a meeting held in Lenoir on Sunday.

Those attending the meeting from the Albert F. Lewis Post here were Sam L. Davis, Dickson Housk and Lowell Smithey.

Lansing Continues To Be Number One Team In League

The Lansing baseball club, after capturing a double-header victory from Laurel Springs, on Saturday, remains the top team in the Mountain Baseball league. The Lansing team, to date, has won a total of 10 games and lost only three. Running a close second in the standings are both the Scottville and West Jefferson teams, each with a total of eight victories and six losses. Tied for third place are Laurel Springs and Helton with East Jefferson being at the bottom of the list.

Week end games as reported are Saturday—West Jefferson, 16, Laurel Springs, 5. The Lansing-Scottville and the E. Jefferson-Helton games were called off on account of rain.

On Sunday, in the opening game, Lansing defeated Laurel Springs, 11-0 and in the second game, 7-6. Pitching for Lansing in the first game was Eblevins, and in the second, King and Eblevins.

West Jefferson was also the winner on Sunday, defeating the Scottville team 9-4. The scores of the E. Jefferson-Helton games were not reported.

Re-Examinations To Start On Tuesday; Will Be Given Alphabetically

Ashe county motorists are again reminded that in accordance with the law passed by the 1947 General Assembly requiring the re-issuance of all motor vehicle driver license in N. C., the schedule for re-examinations starts on Tuesday, July 1. From this time until December 31, license holders whose surnames begin with the letters A or B are to apply for re-issuance.

As far as it could be learned yesterday, the selection of the person to give the examinations for re-issuance of licenses in Ashe county had not been announced. This, along with the hours, will be announced at an early date.

According to the law, the operator's license issued under the 1947 Safety Act shall automatically (Continued on Page 5)

REVIVAL CLOSURES AT PEAK CREEK

The revival which began at the Peak Creek Presbyterian church June 15 will close with the service tomorrow night, Rev. J. W. Luke, stated.

Mr. Luke has been assisted in holding the services by Rev. C. L. Cheshire, Jr., assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Gaston.

A Record Crop Is Predicted; Plans Are Announced

Demand Expected To Be Good On Quality Beans; Cool Weather Delays Crop

The 1947 bean season will officially get underway in this section on Tuesday, July 1, as both of the local auction markets open. Indications point to a successful season as the crop, which was delayed by cool weather, appears to show promise of full production, after recent rains.

Last year, according to reports from the county agent's office more than 400,000 bushels of beans were sold on the local markets for an average of over \$2.00 per bushel, bringing an income of around \$800,000. This year the initial outlook reveals a good demand and equally good prices on the best quality beans.

According to farm surveys there is a slight increase in acreage this season and with favorable weather, the crop should exceed last year's.

West Jefferson has two markets, the Farmers' Bean and vegetable market that is now beginning its fifth season, and the Ashe Bean market, that is a year and a half younger.

Both markets have been unusually successful. The Farmers' Bean and Vegetable Market is owned and operated by W. G. Vannoy, Burt Vannoy and J. E. Roiana.

Owners and operators of the Ashe Bean market are Fred G. Graybeal, Henry Poe, George Yates and R. W. Colvard.

According to announcements, both markets will have plenty of buyers and will be well prepared to handle all beans in this area.

Sales will start early in the afternoon and buyers are urged to bring their beans in early when possible instead of waiting until night.

They are also requested to pick beans while they are young and tender instead of waiting until they are too mature.

Sales on quality beans are expected (Continued on page 4)

Home Coming Is Planned For Sun.

To Be Held At Bald Mountain Church; Special Program To Be Given

There will be a home coming service at Bald Mountain Baptist church on Sunday when a large crowd is expected to be present. It was announced this week by Rev. M. D. Hart.

The new church building will also be dedicated at this time. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. R. R. Campbell, of Louisville, Ky. Other speakers for the event will be Professor B. H. Duncan, Revs. W. E. Carlton and Grover Trivette and others.

All former pastors are especially invited to be present at the all day meeting. Dinner will be served by the ladies of the church and community.

New Schedule Is Made For Claims

It was announced this week that effective July 1, the following schedule will be observed in taking claims in Ashe county:

Unemployed readjustment allowance claims and unemployment compensation claims will be taken each Tuesday from 9:30 a. m. until 1:00 p. m.

Self employed readjustment allowance claims will be taken each Tuesday from 2:00 p. m. until 3:30 p. m.

Building Going Forward Here

Work is going forward on the new building on Jefferson Avenue, across from Graystone service station, to be occupied by the Ashe Motor company.

Brick work has started on Joa Eller's building next door to Eller's Jewelry store, in the business section of town.

REV. C. W. JONES TO BE HEARD ON RADIO

Rev. Claude W. Jones, well known revivalist, formerly of Ashe county, is now conducting a series of radio broadcasts over Station WBOB, Galax, Va., it was announced this week.

The program can be heard each morning, including Sunday, at 9:30 a. m.