

## Make Plans For Soil Conservation Anniversary

### Some Beans Are Being Bought By Gov't On Marts

#### Representatives Of Marketing Division Are Here This Week

Several thousand bushels of beans have been bought on the local markets this week, by representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. These beans have brought \$1.35 per bushel loaded in cars and have netted the growers from \$1.00 to \$1.10.

It could not be learned how many beans, representatives of the marketing division are prepared to buy. Their purchases this week, however, have helped greatly to take care of beans, which in many cases could not have been sold, it was pointed out.

Officials of the two local markets said that they again wished to advise the farmers not to pick beans too full for marketing purpose. A number of these have been turned down.

The volume on the local markets this week has been lighter than usual. Prices on better beans average around \$1.00 per bushel, it was announced.

### Wiley Johnson Buried Saturday

#### Succumbed At Age Of 84 At Home Of Daughter Here On Friday

Funeral service for Wiley Clark Johnson, 84, was held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the Piney Creek Methodist church. Officiating was Rev. John Toliver and burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Johnson, who was a farmer and livestock dealer at Piney Creek, had been making his home with his daughter, Mrs. Pearl Wyrick for the past several years. He had been in ill health for sometime and succumbed here Friday.

He is survived by the following children: Mrs. Pearl Wyrick, of West Jefferson; Mrs. Claude Hawkins and John W. Johnson, both of McAlester, Okla.; Ben H. Johnson, of Kansas City, Missouri; Glenn F. Johnson, of Sparta; Mrs. Claude E. Small and Mrs. C. H. Small, both of Edenton; Mrs. O. J. Pennington and Louis W. Johnson, both of Jefferson; Mrs. Roger Bare, of Wagoner; Mrs. Gilbert Hall of Manhattan Beach, Calif.; and Mrs. Roy McCauley, of Boulder City, Nevada.

### Farm, Home Week To Be Held Soon

Attention is called to the fact that Ashe county farmers and their wives, along with others throughout the state, are invited to attend Farm and Home Week program to be held in Raleigh August 25-29.

Classes and lectures of interest, including many noted speakers will appear on the program. Miss Dorothy Thompson, noted columnist, will be one of the guest speakers.

Miss Ella Mae Crosby, home demonstration agent, said she hoped that all who could, would attend this program.

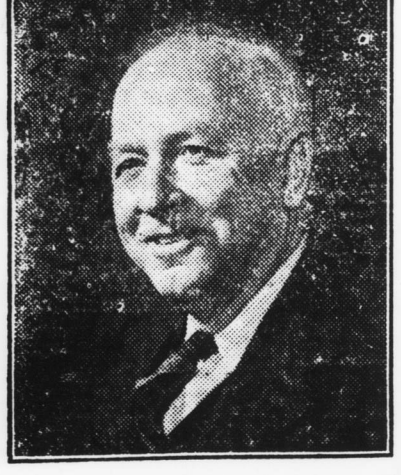
### W. J. Streets Are Being Improved

Improvements are being made on the streets of West Jefferson, town officials pointed out this week. Some of the streets have already been scraped and worked and others are expected to be improved, it was learned.

Machinery has been rented from the State highway department. The old Beaver Creek highway which runs to the intersection of Main street and Jefferson Avenue, by Badgers is undergoing treatment by the State highway department and will be paved, it was pointed out.

## Farm Bureau To Be Organized At Meeting On Friday

### DR. BENNETT COMING



Dr. H. H. Bennett, chief of U. S. Soil Conservation Service, who is coming here next week for an all-day program.

### Farmers May Get Phosphate Through AAA

#### Lime Orders Should Also Be Placed Through AAA Office Immediately

Attention is called to the fact that 18% and 46% phosphate is now available to farmers, who have not already taken up their allowance, at the AAA office.

Contractors are now delivering limestone. Any farmer who would like to have all or a part of his allowance in lime should place an order and pay his part of the cost in the AAA office at once, in order that lime may be delivered this fall, Melvin Campbell, of the AAA office said.

The office is also issuing purchase orders for Crimson Clover to be used in establishing winter cover crops.

"If you do not know whether or not you have taken up your allowance you may ask that your farm plan be checked at any time in the AAA office," Mr. Campbell explained.

The AAA office was forced to stop issuing purchase orders some weeks ago when the agricultural budget was slashed. With part of the slash restored, the local office along with others was ordered more than a week ago to resume these activities.

### Ashe MYF Meet Held On Monday

The Ashe Sub-district Methodist Youth Fellowship held their regular meeting on Monday night at the West Jefferson Methodist church.

Rev. Cecil Heckard, of Lake Junaluska, was the guest speaker. He was introduced to the group by Rev. Hoyt Wood.

Miss Jennie Clyde Worth was in charge of the business session. Entertainment and refreshments were provided by the West Jefferson group.

### Owner And Prize Winning Lambs



Betty Lou Thomas, shown here with her lamb, won first place in the pen of three in the recent lamb show.

### All Farmers Are Urged To Attend; Plans Are To Be Outlined

An organization meeting of the Ashe county unit of the Farm Bureau will be held at the courthouse on Friday evening at eight o'clock, when all farmers are urged to attend.

Raymond Francis, temporary chairman of the movement recently started in the county, pointed out that he wanted everyone to attend so that the permanent organization could be perfected. "The farmers of the county need this organization and now is the time to work it out," he declared. He pointed out many of the legislative and other advantages of the organization.

George Farthing, field representative of the organization will be present to explain the principals and goals. A membership goal of 360 has been set for Ashe county.

### 18 Ashe County 4-H Members To Go To Raleigh

#### To Attend 4-H Club Short Course Aug. 18-23; Special Program Planned

Twelve Ashe county 4-H club girls and six 4-H club boys have been selected to represent the county at the State 4-H short course to be held at State College in Raleigh, August 18-23. O. M. Fulcher, assistant county agent, stated this week.

The week's activities will get underway Monday, August 18, when registration will begin and actual club work will begin the following Tuesday morning. Classes will be held each morning and the afternoon will be taken up with county and district winners in dairy production, dairy foods, livestock judging, dress review and health contests will vie for the honor of statewide titles. Recreational programs have also been planned.

One of the main events planned, in addition to trips to the State Capitol, is the program to be presented by the State 4-H Honor Club on Thursday night, and the health pageant and recognition of county and district winners and coronation of State (Continued on Page 4)

### Segraves Heard By Rotarians

J. L. Segraves, who has recently returned from a trip to the West Coast, where he attended a meeting of Rotary International, gave an informal talk on his trip to the members of the Jeffersons Rotary club last week.

Mr. Segraves gave a favorable comparison of many local places and people to those seen while away.

### Girl Scouts On Way Home From International Meeting



Girls on their way home from the International Girl Scout encampment at Camp Barfee, Pa., visit Franklin institute in Philadelphia and stand on a huge locomotive at the museum. Representing five countries, the girls are (left to right): Jackie Gieson, Luxembourg; Monique Scheucher, Switzerland; Jacqueline Figare, France; Bigit Leijerstam, Sweden; Ginette van Hoorbeke, Holland; Dorthea Reiner, Germantown, Pa., and Margarite Quezada, Guatemala.

### Aug. 15 Is Soil Conservation Day For This County

#### Town Mayors And County Commissioners Issue Official Proclamation

W. E. Vannoy, chairman of the Ashe county board of commissioners, L. P. Colvard, Mayor of Jefferson and T. E. Parker, Mayor of West Jefferson have jointly issued a proclamation declaring next Friday, August 15 as official Soil Conservation Day.

The text of the proclamation is as follows: TO THE FARMERS AND CITIZENS OF ASHE COUNTY, THE TOWNS OF JEFFERSON AND WEST JEFFERSON:

Whereas, The New River Soil Conservation District of Ashe and Alleghany counties is celebrating its sixth anniversary of Friday, August 15, in West Jefferson, and Whereas, in recognition of the accomplishment of the district during its six years, there has (Continued on Page 4)

### Hunting License Now Available

It was announced this week by Roland Koontz district fish and game protector, that hunting licenses are required for any type of hunting, anywhere. Residence hunting and trappers' license may be secured from Koontz at his home at Jefferson.

He pointed out that according to the ruling by the attorney general any person convicted of violating the game law will have his license revoked. Anyone hunting without a license will also lose the right to purchase a license.

### Rites Held Here For Mrs. Decker

Funeral service for Mrs. Victoria Eller Decker, of Clifton, was held Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock at the West Jefferson Baptist church. Officiating were Revs. E. W. Powers and Frank Tucker. Interment was in the Eller cemetery.

Mrs. Decker, who was spending sometime in Florida, became ill several weeks ago and returned to Clifton to the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Johnson where her condition became critical and she died Sunday.

She is survived by one son, Richard Stacy, and one daughter, Mrs. R. E. Johnson, of Clifton. Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Emily Maxwell, of Boone and Mrs. Lee Jones and Mrs. J. B. Roland, both of Clifton, and one brother, W. L. Eller also of Clifton. Three grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive.

### Merchants Will Welcome Hundreds Expected Here For Meeting Next Friday

#### Play Boys Will Give Program At Courthouse Sat.

#### Dale Weaver And Play Boys Will Give Program For Benefit Of Red Cross

Mrs. W. G. Vannoy, chairman of the Ashe county Chapter of the American Red Cross, announced yesterday that a musical program would be held at the courthouse in Jefferson on Saturday night at eight o'clock by Dale Weaver and his Alleghany Play Boys for the benefit of the Red Cross.

Weaver and his group, now broadcasting over radio station WKBC, North Wilkesboro have an unusual string band. They have received much acclaim elsewhere and are expected to draw (Continued on Page 4)

### ASSOCIATION TO HOLD MEETING FRIDAY

The Christian Unity Baptist Association will meet with Sugar Tree church at 10 o'clock Friday, August 15, it was announced by Rev. Carl Sturgill.

The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

### REV. F. C. STURGILL TO SPEAK AT GALAX

Rev. Carl Sturgill will be at Galax, Va., on Sunday for a special service and is expected to be heard on the program over radio station WBOB, which begins at 7:45 a. m., it was announced here this week.

### Helton Wins Over Week End; Holds Top Place In League

Helton remained at the top of the Mountain Baseball league as they captured two more victories over the past week end. On Saturday they captured a 14-11 victory over Lansing and on Sunday won over East Jefferson 12-9.

West Jefferson won and lost a game defeating Scottville 18-3 on Saturday and losing to Lansing 8-7 on Sunday. Laurel Springs was the victor on Sunday winning a 24-14 victory over Scottville, and also winning on Saturday over East Jefferson although the scores of the Laurel Springs-East Jefferson game were not officially reported.

The schedule for this week end has been announced as follows: Saturday—West Jefferson at

### Cooperating In Big Soil Conservation Anniversary Celebration

West Jefferson merchants are making plans to cooperate in the big soil conservation program, to be held here next Friday when Dr. H. H. Bennett, world authority on soil conservation and other leaders will be here to take part on the program, expected to be attended by hundreds of farmers and veterans.

Amos Wagoner, Jr., president of the W. J. Merchants Association said that he hoped every concern would do all possible to make the stay of the farmers and others pleasant and profitable.

Because of the large number of visitors, eating places are asked to make a special effort to take care of as many as possible. "Soil conservation is vitally important to every business concern (Continued on Page 4)

### Severe Storms Are Felt Here

West Jefferson and Ashe county experienced some of the most severe electrical storms here this week that have been witnessed in many years. On both Sunday and Monday mornings, continuous lightning was followed by peals of thunder, rain and wind.

Some damage was done by the lightning. According to reports received here, Dick Weaver of the Teaberry section had three milk cows killed in the storm, Sunday.

A tree in the back yard of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Eller was struck.

### Dr. Bennett Is To Be Here For Observance Fri.

#### Hundreds Are Expected For Big Program; Tours Are Planned

Plans are now being completed for the observance of the sixth anniversary of the New River Soil Conservation District here, next Friday, when Dr. H. H. Bennett, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, along with other leaders in the field will take part on the program.

Hundreds of people from Ashe and Alleghany as well as the surrounding counties are expected to be here for the all-day program.

Veterans on the farm training program in several counties will be here as well as farmers and others interested in soil conservation.

Among those taking part on the program in addition to Dr. Bennett will be Dr. I. E. Miles, director of soil testing division, N. C. Dept. of Agriculture; Herbert White, President of the N. C. Association of Soil Conservation; E. B. Garrett, State Soil Conservationist, Congressman R. L. Doughton, Dr. B. B. Dougherty and others.

The program will open Friday morning at the community building in West Jefferson, at 10:30. Following registration and viewing of exhibits, the group will adjourn to the West Jefferson high school building for a formal meeting. Here Dr. Miles, E. B. Garrett, Congressman Doughton and others will speak briefly. The meeting will adjourn at 12:30 for lunch.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the group will meet again at the community building and will leave from there on the various field trips that have been planned so they can observe soil conservation work. Five different trips have been planned for them. Descriptions and information relating to these trips will be available at the registration table at the community building.

Those unable to make the trips will have the opportunity to see talking moving pictures at the (Continued on Page 4)

### Cars Wreck At Jefferson, Fri.

#### Occupants Slightly Injured; Damages To Autos Estimated At \$300

A 1940 Ford pick-up and a 1936 Ford sedan collided at the highway intersection at Jefferson Friday night around 9:15 o'clock damaging the autos approximately \$300 and injuring two of the parties, investigating Officer D. A. Houston, State highway patrolman, reported.

The 1940 Ford pick-up, driven by Elijah Thomas Sexton, of Grassy Creek, was leaving highway 221 and was preparing to enter highway 16 when he collided with the car driven by Fred Mullis, of Jefferson, who was leaving highway 18 and entering the intersection. Mullis' car was struck on the left side.

Mrs. Sexton and child, Danny, who were riding in the truck with Sexton, were injured slightly and taken to the Ashe Memorial hospital for treatment.

No charges were preferred and the parties agreed to make proper settlement.

### Work Continues On Town Well

Drilling on the new well for the town of West Jefferson continues although as yet little progress has been made, town officials pointed out yesterday.

Officials of The Virginia Machinery and Well Company, in charge of the drilling, reported that only 80 feet of surface had been drilled and that rock had been struck.

The drilling is reported to be considerably slower than expected but due to the striking of rock, progress is of course being hampered.

### LEAVES FOR RALEIGH

Miss Lenna Gambill left this week for Raleigh and will go from there to Williamston for a meeting of supervisors in connection with her FSA work.