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Annual Feeder Calf Sale To Be Held Tues.

Iron Lung Will Be On Display Here Next Week

To Be Shown At Burgess Furniture Company; Contributions Coming In

It was announced this week that the iron lung, purchased by veteran's organizations as a part of the memorial, will be on display at Burgess Furniture company next week and that there will be some one present to explain it to the interested public. In addition to the iron lung, a memorial monument to the war dead is to be erected on the courthouse grounds. Contributions are now coming for both of these. Solicitors have been named for the various townships. Checks may also be mailed in to L. P. Colvard, treasurer of the fund, it was explained.

A partial list of funds received is as follows:
American Legion Auxiliary, Duvall's Grocery, \$100.00 each.
First National Bank, Belk's Dept. Store, Rhodes Furn. Co., Skyland Post, C. & H. Service Station, Colvard Oil Co., Burgess Furn. Co., W. J. Parts Co., G. F. P. Chevrolet Co., Ray Hardware, \$25.00 each.

Earl Graybeal, \$20.00.
W. J. Food Center, W. J. Woman's Club, \$15.00 each.
Ashe Hardware, Bare-Little & Co., City Florist, Firestone Store, Ideal Laundry, \$10.00 each.
W. E. Dollar, Wiles Jewelry, Clayborne Parsons, Grant Sutherland, W. J. Esso Service Station, E. E. Jones Store, Jane Miller, \$5.00 each.
Reo Miller, Ray Hardware (additional) \$2.00 each.
B. A. Sexton, J. T. McMillan, E. B. Hartzog, Gladys Neal, \$1.00 each.

New Serial Will Begin This Week

Beautiful Redhead Suffers From Amnesia In "Murder Is Forgetful"

A new serial entitled "Murder Is Forgetful," written by William Bogart, will begin in this week's issue of The Post. It is a story about a beautiful girl with red hair and green eyes who is apparently suffering from amnesia, ever since her husband was murdered.

Moe Martin, a literary agent, and Johnny Saxon, private investigator, have been retained by the Hardways Smiths, wealthy New York family, as body guard for the lovely redhead, Irene Smith, to prevent any harm from befalling her. Johnny and Moe, nearing a state of bankruptcy unless some funds can be brought into their business of course are eager for the job. Miss Smith was in the process of writing a novel when her memory left her (Continued on Page 4)

Dr. Gaul To Hold Clinic Friday

It was announced this week that a clinic for crippled children would be held at the offices of the health department in the Ashe Hospital on Friday morning, with Dr. John S. Gaul of Charlotte in charge. Parents are asked to bring all children in need of observation and attention.

Men Arrested On Parkway, Friday

Three Ashe county men, Leonard, Robert and Ira Miller, of Glendale Springs, were arrested by Park Ranger A. E. Stark Friday on the charges of reckless driving and refusal to report an accident.

Leonard, who was driving, was fined \$100.00 before U. S. Commissioner Ralph Davis, in North Wilkesboro at a hearing. Robert and Ira were both fined \$25. Robert Cox, of Laurel Springs, also charged with reckless driving, was fined \$100.

County Teachers Meet Wednesday; Yelton To Speak

CHERRY PLAYS ROLE



Gov. R. Gregg Cherry, shown in make-up when he played a brief role in the "Lost Colony," historical drama presented each summer on Roanoke Island.

Charlie Spencer And Elizabeth Barrett Will Also Have Part On Program

A. B. Hurt, superintendent of schools announced yesterday that the first county-wide teachers' meeting of this school year would be held next Wednesday, September 24, at the county courthouse at 1:00 o'clock, when Nathan Yelton, will speak on the retirement fund for teachers.

Charlie Spencer, of the health division of the N. C. Board of Education and Miss Elizabeth Barrett, of the guidance program will also speak, Mr. Hurt said.

Mrs. Gertrude Vaughn, president of the Ashe county unit of the NCEA will outline plans and memberships in this group will be sought, "We want every teacher in the county to be present," Mr. Hurt said, in discussing the meeting. He added that he felt that all of them would be benefited by the information to be offered.

Hundreds Attend Senter Baptist Ass'n Last Week

Many Visiting Elders Are Heard; Eld. Edd Davis Again Named Moderator

Approximately 1500 people attended the ninety-fourth session of the Senter District Primitive Baptist Association held Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Bear Creek Baptist church. A number of visiting elders were present as were members from here in the county and state and neighboring states.

Visiting elders present included C. B. Kilby, of Sparta; D. P. Broadway, of Salisbury; E. T. Jenkins, of West Va.; Hugh Eblevin, of St. Clair's Bottom, Va., and Elder Stover, of West Va.

Elder Dewey Roten preached the introductory sermon and a number of other messages were delivered to the congregation. (Continued on page 4)

O. E. Lawrence Rites Held Sat.

Funeral service for Oscar E. Lawrence, 69, former Ashe man, who succumbed in Charlotte last Thursday, was held Saturday at the South Fork Baptist church. Officiating were Revs. H. M. Winkler and Mr. Stevens. Burial was in the Graham cemetery.

The son of the late Henry and Nancy Lawrence, he was married to Mrs. Sally Oliver Lawrence, who survives. Two children, Verna Lawrence, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Ray Bledsoe, of Nottingham, Pa., and two sisters, Mrs. Jennie Graham and Mrs. Lou Houck and ten grandchildren also survive.

Doughton Lauds REA Before Group; Re-Elect Directors

Federal legislation enacted in 1935 by which the Rural Electrification Administration was created has affected the nation's rural population more vitally than any measure enacted by Congress, Representative Robert L. Doughton told the Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation at its annual meeting in Lenoir, Saturday.

More than 57 per cent of farms in the United States have been electrified largely through the REA he stated. Loans of more than \$1,000,000,000 to provide 534,000 miles of electric lines have been made by the government for expansion of the program, he said.

"The prosperity of our towns, and indeed our whole moral, social and economic system, depend largely upon the prosperity and

Many Leave Here To Enter College

Enter Institutions Of Learning In North Carolina, Tennessee And Virginia

More Ashe county boys and girls are preparing to leave this week for colleges and universities here in the State as well as in Virginia and Tennessee as the fall terms get underway. Some students began studies last week and those who do not leave this week plan to enroll at their respective places at an early date.

Those to return to the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina are Evelyn Dare Vannoy and Elizabeth Graybeal. Margaret Phillips will begin her first year at Greensboro College.

Four Ashe boys will resume studies at the University of North Carolina and four will begin work there for the first time. They are Brecece Pennington, Morris Eller, W. B. Austin, Jr., and Frank Barr; Allen Worth, Bill Woodie, Bill Little and Winfred Barr.

F. B. Jones has re-entered Lenoir-Rhyne and J. Buckley Junior has returned to Pheiffer Junior College.

Basil Duke Barr and Earl Ross Haire left Sunday for Columbia Military Institute at Columbia, Tenn. Frances Ann Todd has entered Marion College, Marion, Va.

Two girls and one boy entered Gardner-Webb. They are Bobbie Jean and Dorothy Campbell and Robert Hartsog.

Those who plan to enter State College next week are Will and Walter Allen Worth and Marvin and Ralph Stump. Wade E. Vannoy, Jr., will enter law school at Duke University next week.

Scott Denny plans to enroll at Bowling Green.

Horse Killed By Truck Yesterday

J. H. Duke, of Georgia, was released on \$300 bond pending judgment, following a hearing before Justice David Burkett yesterday afternoon. Duke was charged with reckless and hit-and-run driving after being arrested by State Highway Patrolman D. A. Houston, yesterday morning.

He was reported to have struck a horse, owned and ridden by Newt Elliott near Oak Lodge yesterday morning and the horse died instantly of injuries sustained when the heavy trailer-truck, driven by Duke struck him. Elliott, the rider, reported that he just managed to dismount the horse before the vehicle struck the animal.

The directors re-elected officers as follows: Goodman, president; Mast, vice-president; Beach, secretary-treasurer; Max Wilson, attorney; and G. F. Messick, general manager.

The corporation has more than 7,000 members in Caldwell, Wa-

U. S. Boy Scouts Return From World Jamboree



American Boy Scouts line the rails of the U. S. army transport, Gen. Harry Taylor. The ship arrived at New York from Europe where the scouts attended the International Boy Scout Jamboree in France. More than 1,000 scouts from every state of the Union were represented at the jamboree.

County Gets 5 More Teachers In Enrollment Gain

Two Additional High School And Three Grade Teachers Secured

In what is believed to be an all-time high enrollment gave the county an additional five teachers above the number they started with as school opened. A. B. Hurt, county superintendent of schools, said that while he does not have the official total enrollment for the county, he had reason to believe that it was far above last year because of the crowded conditions in most of the schools.

In the additional allotment, West Jefferson and Elkwood each got a high school teacher, while Riverview, Jefferson and Nathan's Creek each were allotted an additional grade teacher. This brings the county's total up to 185.

League Schedule Again Extended

Due to rain and other complications, ball games scheduled for the past week end were not completed and have been re-scheduled for this week end. The series will of course again be postponed. Dan Campbell, secretary of the league, pointed out.

Friday afternoon, West Jefferson will play at Lansing; Saturday afternoon, West Jefferson will play at Laurel Springs. West Jefferson played Laurel Springs last Saturday and the game was called off in the eleventh inning due to darkness. The score was then tied at 8-3. Sunday, Helton will play at West Jefferson.

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Thomas H. Sears, of the Farmers Home Administration Office at West Jefferson, which serves Ashe and Alleghany counties, returned from a statewide conference at Raleigh to review program operations and activities for the ensuing year.

Mr. Sears stated that emphasis was placed on the fact that farmers who can obtain credit from regular sources on reasonable terms and conditions are not eligible for assistance through the Farmers Home Administration. He also stated that all loans will be made on the basis of appraised normal values. The borrower pays down 10 per cent of the normal value, and a lending institution, such as a bank or insurance company, lends the remaining 90 per cent. The Government insures the loans and Farmers Home Administration will be made to the extent

Ashe 4-H Boys Make Records In Dairy Show; Winners For Friday And Saturday Given

Information Is Available For Dairy Farmers

Urged To Contact Sanitarian Wade E. Eller In Regard To Grade "A" Dairies

Wade E. Eller, district sanitarian said yesterday that some confusion exists in regard to the planning of barns for the production of grade A raw milk for pasteurization. "This ought not to be true since the Alleghany-Ashe-Watauga District Board of Health has provided, the necessary information and guidance you need in getting your plans approved and the advice to the construction foreman as the work progresses," he said.

"All you need to do to avail yourself of this service is to see or write me or leave your request at the Health Department in the hospital or with the county agent in the courthouse.

"It is very important to you that you have your plans checked and approved before you begin construction, as this will save you time due to mistakes in construction, which are often made when the plans are not submitted for approval. This service is free to all persons who wish to avail themselves of it. These barns must pass inspection before the milk produced in them can be (Continued on page 8)

Attendance Is Good; Win Several Prizes In District Event

Evidence that there is a growing interest in the dairy business among 4-H boys was demonstrated by the animals which they sponsored in the local and district junior dairy shows held last week. The attendance was unusually good for the local show, held in the new Ashe Motor company building on Friday, previous to the district show held in Lexington on Saturday.

In the local show, Kraft Foods company offered \$40.00 for prizes and M. G. Edwards offered an additional \$10.00. The placings in West Jefferson were as follows: (Continued on page 4)

Legion Leader Here Saturday

W. L. Ingold, of Taylorsville, district commander of the American Legion, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Ashe Post 171, at the community building, Saturday night.

Commander Ingold, a veteran of World Wars I and II, spoke to the group on proposed changes in the Legion constitution and on the World War II veteran's right and benefits and the part the Legion played in securing them.

The speaker was introduced by Ira T. Johnston. A movie on modern scientific development was also shown the group.

Sears Explains Policy Of Loans Made Farmers By FHA

that funds are available. Veterans have preference, it was stated. Insured mortgage loans are also available through Farmers Home Administration for the purchase, enlargement and development of family-type farms by tenants, sharecroppers, and farm laborers who are eligible for the services of the agency. Veterans also have preference in applications for these loans. This is the first time that such loans have been available to farmers. Mr. Sears explained that all loans will be made on the basis of appraised normal values. The borrower pays down 10 per cent of the normal value, and a lending institution, such as a bank or insurance company, lends the remaining 90 per cent. The Government insures the loans and Farmers Home Administration will be made to the extent

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Calves Will Be Offered From Four Counties

350 Choice Animals Are To Be Sold; Harry Hamilton, Jr., Is Auctioneer

Plans are now being completed for the fifth annual feeder calf sale to be held at the West Jefferson livestock market Tuesday, September 23, opening at 1:00 o'clock, H. D. Quessenberry county agent announced.

Calves will be offered from four counties, Ashe, Alleghany, Avery and Watauga. The sale which is being sponsored by the State Department of Agriculture, Extension Division and the West Jefferson livestock market is expected to attract a large crowd.

It was announced that calves should be brought in as early in the morning as possible so that they can be graded before the sale. Beef specialists from the N. C. Department of Agriculture will assist in the grading, it was explained.

Calves will be offered weighing from 300 to 650 pounds and are to be divided into pens according to their weights. Growers are requested to have calves de-horned and to make other preparations for the sale which is to include only good grade calves, and not scrubs. Harry Hamilton, Jr., is to act as auctioneer.

A special show will also be held in connection with the sale. There will be a "Get of Sire" class of five steers, not confined to one owner, by a registered bull. Prizes for this group will be \$25.00; \$20.00; \$15.00; \$10.00 and \$5.00, Mr. Quessenberry said.

County Entries In Fat Stock Show

4-H Club Boys And Girls Win Several Prizes In Elk Show

Ashe county 4-H club members, with four entries in the Elk Fat Stock show this week, made an unusually good showing among those from Surry, Alleghany, Caldwell, Iredell, Wilkes, Alexander, Stokes, Yadkin and Forsythe counties.

Tommy Barlow, of Creston, won first place in the medium weight class. He was also selected for the showmanship class and placed fourth there. This was considered unusually good, since this was his first show.

Clyde Edmondson, of Hemlock, took second place in the light weight class. His animal was among the best 10 selected for the showmanship group.

Betty Lou Thomas, of Grassy Creek, entered in the medium weight class and took a blue ribbon. This animal placed tenth in (Continued on page 8)

Singing Will Be Held Here Sun.

It was announced this week by Coleman Payne that a singing would be held at the West Jefferson Baptist church on Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:30 p. m.

There will be a number of visiting quartets and other special groups participating. Every one is invited to attend.

Sale Of Cattle Nets \$15,467.50

The dispersal sale of the Aberdeen Angus cattle, of the herd of the late Eugene Transou, held Friday at the Louost Grove Farm near Sparta, netted \$15,467.50.

The top animal was sold to Wade Hampton, of Sparta, for \$420.00. Those from Ashe county purchasing registered stock were Felding Miller, of Laurel Springs, price paid, \$230; G. W. Stringer, Wagoner, price paid, \$175.

Others from Ashe buying stock and prices paid are J. W. Gamigill, West Jefferson, \$255; second purchase, \$335; Roscoe Oliver, Silas Creek, \$140; and Van Miller, Laurel Springs, \$107.50.