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## Thanksgiving Is Expected To Be Quietly Observed

### Business Houses Are To Close; Quail Season Will Open

Thanksgiving is expected to be quietly observed in the county next Thursday, November 27 with plenty of turkey, with early indications of an unusually good crop of this prize Thanksgiving fowl.

Stores as well as most all other business houses are expected to close but most schools will operate as usual. A. B. Hurt, county superintendent said yesterday. He pointed out that several of the schools had planned dinners and other special programs for the day, however.

A number of churches have also planned special programs, some of which will be held next Wednesday, it was announced.

Hunters are expecting a big day since the quail season opens and the weather men have predicted good fair weather for the season. Roland Krontz, game warden, advised that all hunters secure permits before going hunting.

## Ashe Students To Give Dramas

### Festival At Jefferson Friday At 2:00 P. M., To Offer Varied Program

A series of five one-act plays will be presented Friday afternoon and night at the Jefferson high school by five Ashe county high schools under the sponsorship of the Jefferson Dramatic Festival.

Called the Ashe Dramatic Festival, the event begins at 3:00 P. M. Friday afternoon at which time J. B. Hask will open the program with a few words of welcome. Following the opening remarks by Mr. Hask, will be a production by Cratis Williams, Director of the Appalachian Playcrafters of Appalachian State Teachers' College.

The first of one plays to be presented during the afternoon portion of the program will be "Lavinia Does Not Understand" directed by the Jefferson Dramatic Festival. The cast of characters includes the following students: Billie Oliver, Calvin Miller.

## Scout Drive Is Nearing Goal

It was announced this week that the Boy Scout drive was nearing the goal, but was still short around \$100.

Contributions not previously published include the following: Carolina Brier, \$25.00; Watt Martin, First National Bank, Ray Drug Company, Kraft Cheese Co., \$10.00 each.

Bare-Little employees, \$7.50; Boy Scout Troop 115, Clendale Springs, Hoyt Wood, Todd Drug Co., \$5.00 each.

Hardin Plumbing and Heating, \$4.00; E. T. Woodie, \$3.00; John Wilkins, Jim McLaughlin, Joe Osborne, \$2.00 each; Mrs. R. E. L. Plummer, Rex Jones, W. P. Shoaf, Carl Blewins, Ashe Memorial Works, Paul Bowers, Leet Vannoy, D. H. Walker, Lynch Colvard, \$1.00 each.

## VETS' MONEY COMES HOME IN SEA BAG

Surprising as it may seem, money belonging to a young Ashe county veteran, travelled half around the world in a sea bag and returned to the owner, unmolested.

The money was the property of Edward Ralph Bard, of Idlewild, who served in the Pacific area and was wounded on Okinawa. Young Bard returned home from service two years ago without his sea bag.

Last week, that same sea bag arrived and with it his billfold that he had completely given up hope of ever seeing again. The \$12 he had left in his billfold was neatly tucked inside, although Father Time had worked on it considerably. He also had a small amount of Japanese money which was also unmolested.

# Farm Committee Elections Are To Start Today

## GIVEN AWARD



Rocco Cutri, who was honored last week by Rotarians for outstanding community service.

## Rocco Cutri Is Honored Thurs. By Rotary Club

### Presented Watch For Outstanding Community Service By Club Members

Rocco Cutri, who has been very active in the Jefferson Rotary club, was honored by the members of the club at the regular meeting last Thursday night. Mr. Cutri was presented a gold watch which was presented to Rocco Cutri by the Jefferson Rotary Club for outstanding community service.

Mr. Cutri returned from New York last week for a brief visit. He is the father of the young wife, J. L. Johnson, and Mrs. Ira T. Johnson. The presentation was made by Mr. ...

## Scores Given For Ball Games

A basketball game was played last week at the Ashe county high school arena on Thursday night.

West Jefferson took a double header from Firstwood on the home court, with the boys winning 31-18 and the boys, 21-21.

Riverview and Elkland split honors on the Riverview floor. Riverview girls defeated Elkland 16-15 and Elkland boys won by 40-20.

Nathan's Creek also took a double header from Lansing on the Lansing court, the girls winning 24-6 and the boys, 26-19.

The schedule for next week is as follows:

NOVEMBER 25, 1947  
Lansing at West Jefferson  
Riverview at Fleetwood  
Healing Springs at Elkland

NOVEMBER 27, 1947  
V. - C. at Nathan's Creek

## Mr. & Mrs. Mayne Albright Visit County



North Carolina's youngest candidate for governor in the Democratic primary, R. Mayne Albright and Mrs. Albright visited in the county Monday in his trailer field headquarters, "The Challenger." While here they talked with a number of Ashe county people. He spoke to the West Jefferson Woman's Club, Monday night.

## Different Dates Chosen For Election Of Community Committeemen

The elections of Agricultural Conservation Community Committeemen and delegates to the county convention will get underway in the county today at Ashland, Warrensville, Grassy Creek, and Crumpler, with others following Saturday and throughout next week.

The elections have been held throughout the county on one day, heretofore, but are being held in a series this year in the various communities in order that CMA committeemen and office personnel can assist the farmers with them.

In order to give the farmers these smaller meetings for making their plans to the office personnel will be distributed at the rolling places. Farmers will be given an opportunity to plan their requests for loans, programs and seed for the 1948 AAA program and to plan applications for payment for earnings under the 1947 program.

It was pointed out that due to the fact that the appropriation for 1947 has been drastically cut, it is more important than ever that the most capable men in each community be elected to administer the program. "The success of the program in your community depends largely on your community committeemen. Remember the date and ask your neighbors to go with you to the polls. Your names are also eligible to vote," J. W. Gambill, chairman of Ashe County A. C. A., said.

The committee meeting will be held on election evening, November 27, at 7:30 p. m. at the home of the committee chairman in each community.

## Stacy Houck Is Suicide Victim

Funeral services for Stacy Houck, 42, of Todd, was held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. at the Eastern Methodist church. Burial followed in the county cemetery with Rev. C. C. Murray, officiating.

Mr. Houck committed suicide early Tuesday morning when he jumped from the top of his house. According to information received from his family, he left his house around 1 a. m. and his 10-year-old son was discovered dead by one of his sons.

The deceased is survived by his wife and five children: Wayne, Monroe, Tomie, Bill and Johnny, all of the home.

## Food Sale Will Be Held Saturday

Mrs. H. D. Quisenberry and Mrs. John Reeves, room mothers of the fourth grade of West Jefferson high school, will sponsor a food sale on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at Frazier's Store. It was announced this week.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend this sale.

## Lively Bidding At Tobacco Auction Market



Lively bidding marks the tobacco auction market in Winston-Salem. Ashe County farmers will have an opportunity to sell their crops at home this year as the Tri-State Burley Warehouse at West Jefferson rapidly being completed.

## Mayne Albright Cites Need For Wise Planning

### Candidate For Governor Visits County; Speaks To W. Jefferson Woman's Club

Discussing briefly the time record made by the State in 1947 in the year, R. Mayne Albright, Democratic candidate for the governorship, spoke to the women of the West Jefferson Woman's Club at a meeting held last night.

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## Three Military Funerals Are Held This Week In County For Returned War Dead

### Many Attended Funeral Of C. Bowie On Friday

Services conducted by Rev. James McQueen and Mr. E. R. Long for the funeral of Carl Oliver, Frank Dell and Charles T. Wood returned.

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## Will Open Xmas Shopping Season Here On Nov. 29

### Santa Claus Parade To Be Held; Schools Asked To Take Part

The public is again reminded that the Christmas shopping season will be officially opened here on Saturday, November 29, when local stores will offer a wide selection of merchandise to the buying public.

The Christmas parade, to be led by the West Jefferson Band will start at 2:00 P. M. Here Santa Claus will make his official entry in the parade and all schools are asked to enter floats and compete for prizes.

Anyone else desiring to, may enter a Christmas float. Only the schools will compete for the prizes, however.

This paper will again publish a Christmas shopping guide, next Thursday, listing hundreds of values which the merchants have to offer. The publication of the merchants is also in getting all advertising ready early.

Responses will also contain in addition to Christmas advertising, a number of other holiday features.

## 100 Bushel Club Needs Members

### Information Concerning Corn Yield To Be Sent To County Agent

Ashe county farmers are asked to submit their 1947 corn yields to the 100 Bushel Club. If they have a yield of 100 bushels or more, they should submit the yield to the county agent.

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## TB Seal Sale To Open On Nov. 21

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