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## ROUSE PRINTERY AND B. & L. IN NEW QUARTERS 126 N. MAIN

### Farmville's Newspaper and Printing Plant To Celebrate 30th Birthday and Formal Opening In May

The Rouse Printery and the Farmville Building and Loan Association moved into new quarters this week in the Holmes building at 126 North Main street, following remodeling of the two-story structure, formerly occupied by the Pitt Furniture Co. Fixtures and equipment are still in process of being placed, but business is being carried on and the offices are open to customers and visitors as usual.

G. A. Rouse, owner of the Rouse Printery, and secretary-treasurer of the Building and Loan Association, purchased the present quarters following a fire, which broke out early Sunday morning, March 10, in an adjoining store. The smoke from the composition roof badly damaged stock and machinery of the printing plant, but new stock is now on the shelves and presses have undergone a thorough overhauling.

Though operating under adverse circumstances the staff was able to print the paper each week and The Enterprise greeted its friends and subscribers on the dot each Friday.

The Building and Loan organization has retained offices jointly with the Rouse Printery for a period of 17 years.

### Application Forms For Free Classing Ready for Growers

Forms for making request for the free classing of cotton of their 1940 crops are available for one-variety communities and other cotton improvement groups at the Atlanta classing office of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Joe H. McClure, who is in charge of the office, announced today.

Representatives of any cotton improvement group in Georgia, Alabama, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia may obtain sets of these application forms by applying to the Agricultural Marketing Service, P. O. Box 4027, Atlanta, Ga. Any group may file its application as soon as its members have planted their cotton. In considering requests early applications will be given preference after allowance is made for the different dates of planting over the Cotton Belt.

Mr. McClure calls attention to the prospect that applications for the free classing may go over the 900 mark again this year. Last season the Service approved 913 groups for the free classing. "Early filing of applications," Mr. McClure said, "will help the classing offices arrange for the work and assure the group that its application will be acted upon in time for their early-picked cotton to be classed."

"Last season some applications were received so late that the groups did not receive their shipping tags and other supplies until after cotton picking had started and were unable to get their first cotton sampled for classing."

The Service will supply free market news reports again this season to supplement the free classing for improvement groups.

### Egg Cookery Has Its Right and Wrong Way

There is a difference between "hard boiled" and "hard cooked" eggs, says Miss Mary E. Thomas, nutritionist of the State College Extension Service. Likewise, soft boiled eggs may be hard cooked, she says.

In discussing the "how" of egg cookery, Miss Thomas offered suggestions in connection with the second week of the Springtime Egg Festival, a consumer-producer campaign to increase the use of eggs, which began April 11. This drive has the support of C. F. Parrish and other poultrymen of State College. The Southeastern Chair Store Council, through P. D. May, its North Carolina representative, is also active in the Egg Festival.

Miss Thomas explained that eggs should always be cooked slowly, at moderate, even heat. High cooking temperatures make eggs tough. "For either soft cooked or hard cooked eggs with tender whites," the nutritionist said, "the eggs should be placed in boiling water and then the vessel should be set back from the heat where the water will simmer but not boil. For soft cooking, leave the eggs in the water six minutes; for hard cooking, allowing 20 minutes, is not."

"The same general method is following in poaching eggs. That is, the water should be boiling when the eggs are put in, but the heat should be lowered immediately and the eggs cooked at the simmering temperature."

### Dramatic Club To Give Three Act Comedy Tonight

The dress rehearsal is over and the stage is all set, with only last minute preparations remaining before the curtain rises on "Mama's Baby Boy", a three-act comedy, to be presented by the Dramatic Club of Farmville High tonight, Friday, at 8:00 o'clock in Perkins Hall.

The play, under the direction of Miss Mary Dorcas Harding, English teacher, promises to be one of the best entertainments given in the local school and a large attendance is anticipated. There will be no admission charges.

Members of the cast are: Douglas Kemp, Mavis Leggett, Aileen Flanagan, Bobby Rouse, Frances Carraway, Geraldine Skinner, Marjorie Farker, Dorothy Skinner, Agnes Quinerly, Boots Thomas and J. K. Cobb.

### College Recommends 3 Blue Mold Controls

Three, and only three, methods of controlling blue mold are recommended by the State College Extension Service and Experiment Station. Dr. Luther Shaw, Extension plant pathologist, says farmers should play safe and adopt a control method which has been proven in laboratory and field tests.

The first of these, and the most effective in the majority of tests, is fumigation with paradichlorobenzene. This material consists of solid white crystals. When purchased in 100 and 200-pound lots, the price ranges from 12 to 15 cents per pound. The crystals are spread over the regular seed bed and a heavier cover is then placed over the entire bed and fastened securely to prevent escape of the vapors.

The second recommended treatment is also a fumigant. It is benzol (benzene) and comes in liquid form. It also requires tight plant bed covers. The cost of benzol is usually 20 to 30 cents per gallon.

The third treatment is a spray, and there are two formulas recommended. One consists of 6 ounces of yellow copper oxide, 6 ounces of a reliable spreader, such as Vastol OTC, Orvus, or Lethane; one quart of cottonseed oil, and 25 gallons of water, preferably from a pond or stream.

The other formula calls for 6 ounces of yellow copper oxide, 1 quart of self emulsified cottonseed oil, and 25 gallons of water, preferably from a pond or stream.

If the spray treatment is used, it should be started when the plants are the size of a dime, or larger. The fumigants are best applied when blue mold makes its first appearance in the community.

Complete directions for blue mold control are contained in Extension Circular No. 229, which is free upon request to the Agricultural editor at State College, Raleigh.

### Over 13,000 Loans Reamortized to Date

Columbia, S. C., April 11.—Over 13,000 Federal land bank and land bank commissioner loans have been reamortized for longer terms in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, according to a statement today by Julian H. Scarborough, president of the Federal Land Bank of Columbia.

Most of the reamortization applied to commissioner loans, Mr. Scarborough said. These loans, he said, were originally amortized for relatively short periods and required principal payments that heavily-encumbered farmers found impossible to meet. He expressed the belief that reamortization over a longer period of years would re-establish the soundness of the loans.

In North Carolina 3,156 loans have been reamortized; in South Carolina 2,595; in Georgia 5,737 and in Florida 2,023, making a total for the four states of 13,511, Mr. Scarborough said.

Mr. Scarborough said that reamortization of the loans had given many heavily-indebted farmers a new lease on life and the year taking greater interest in their properties because of the opportunity to remain on the land and re-establish their equities.

### Child Burned Fatally By Explosion of Stove

Wilson, April 10.—Harvey Bryant Carter, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Carter of Greene County, died in a local hospital late last night of burns received late yesterday when an oil stove in his home exploded and drenched him with burning oil.

### Roosevelt Freezes Funds on Danes And Norwegians

#### President Takes Unprecedented Action To Keep Such Holdings From Hands of Germans; Neutrality Region for U. S. Widened To Arctic

Washington, April 10.—President Roosevelt, in an unprecedented move tonight, froze all balances and foreign exchange transactions in this country involving Norway, Denmark or their nationals to prevent their withdrawal under German pressure. The move was embraced in an executive order which vested control of the holdings in Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and authorized him to release them to the rightful owners under circumstances which he considers are satisfactory.

The President further directed Morgenthau to require reports on all such holdings to ascertain their amount and where they are located. They are believed to aggregate many millions of dollars.

Fiscal relations between all the Scandinavian nations and the United States have been good and citizens of the overseas countries have found American investments lucrative sources of profit.

Officials, commenting on Mr. Roosevelt's order, pointed out that the situation concerning Denmark and Norway is not comparable to that which existed when German legations invaded Czechoslovakia and Poland. In that case, it was explained, this government knew which was the responsible government and where it was located.

Not known. Tonight, the United States did not know the status of the Danish government or its location and officials acted to protect Norwegian nationals until the status of their government is clarified.

In placing control over the holdings with Morgenthau, Mr. Roosevelt made it impossible for Germany to coerce or bring pressure upon Norwegians or Danes to call home their funds.

The purpose of the order, officials explained, is to protect the integrity of the United States as a repository for foreign funds.

Mr. Roosevelt's order actually amends another one he issued January 15, 1934, to prohibit unlicensed transactions in foreign exchange, the export of currency and transfers of foreign credits in this country. The original order was based on emergency powers granted him under the 1933 banking act. In November, 1934, the order was relaxed so as to grant a general license for dealing in foreign exchange.

Today's order exempts from Treasury regulation the property of Norwegians and Danes domiciled in this country as of April 8.

Treasury regulations issued last night specified the kind of Danish or Norwegian holdings affected.

Made Specific. The list included: Money, checks, drafts, bullion, bank deposits, savings accounts, financial securities commonly dealt in by bankers, brokers and investment houses, mortgages, pledges, liens warehouse receipts, bills of lading, trust receipts, bills of sale, other evidences of title or ownership, merchandise, stocks on hand, ships, goods on ships, royalties, patents, insurance policies and safe deposit boxes and their accounts.

While this is the first time this government has taken such action in connection with specific countries, the treasury exerted a "moral control" in the case of Poland and Czechoslovakia after they were subjugated by the Nazis.

Some Extended. Meantime, most of the North Atlantic was "blackened out" for American shipping when President Roosevelt extended the combat zone in the European war to embrace Scandinavia and some Russian port in the Arctic.

### Ayden Man Elected By Pitt Principals

Greenville, April 10.—W. M. Jenkins, principal of the Ayden schools for four years, has been named president of the Pitt County Principals' Association, succeeding J. H. Moore of Farmville. J. W. Webster of the Bell Arthur schools was named secretary, the only other elective position of the association.



CAMPAIGN PREDICTIONS DEWEY AND FDR AGAIN APRIL FOOL PREDICTIONS LEWIS ISSUES BLAST WARSHIPS IN THE PACIFIC "REVELATIONS" FROM BERLIN JAPAN'S BUFFER, MR. WANG U. S. FACES PROBLEM

There are newspaper columnists, political prognosticators and politicians in Washington who will look you in the eye and tell you, with every assurance, that "at this time" a particular candidate is "in the lead" for the Republican nomination for the presidency. With the same urbanity and confidence, they will tell you, just as positively, what President Roosevelt will do in regard to a third term and name the candidate who will have the backing of the Administration at Chicago.

This kind of talk in April comes under the head of "April Fool" information. There is little more behind the opinions expressed than the personal conclusions of the writer or talker. The practice involved, however, is ancient and it prospers because the people are extremely gullible in their anxiety to know what is going to happen in the future.

The writer of this column cannot tell you whether Dewey or Vandenberg, or Taft, or somebody else will get the Republican nomination in June at Philadelphia. However, it may be asserted that the result of the Wisconsin Primary did no harm to the chances of the New York prosecutor. Young, active and vigorous, the New Yorker is making a number of speeches throughout the country, vigorously assailing the New Deal and creating a good impression, at least among Republicans, by plotting his campaign on the theory that the best defense is an offense.

So far as the President is concerned, no one knows what he will do. His recent victories in the Wisconsin and New York Primaries were not surprises. It is readily admitted that Mr. Roosevelt can have the Democratic nomination if he will take it. There is no doubt about this and nothing but a major political earthquake will prevent the President, if he does not run himself, from naming the man to have the first place on the Democratic ticket. While conservative anti-New Dealers in the party may make a show of opposition in the convention, the Party is not going to commit political suicide by turning its back upon the administration of the President.

No one takes seriously the threats of John L. Lewis to organize a labor, youth, old age, Negro and farmers' groups in to a third party. The major parties have been trying to control these groups for many years. If any political leader manages to get them all under the same banner "the ensuing contest would not be an election, it would be acclamation by unanimous consent. The chances are that Lewis is attempting to put pressure on the Democratic Party in order to get it on his side in the labor war. The CIO chieftain is smart enough to know that if he cannot exercise some control over the Democratic Party he has no where to go.

Somewhere in the Pacific Ocean today, 130 warships of the United States fleet, 43,000 naval officers and men and four hundred naval planes are engaged in the first phase of extensive maneuvers which will not be completed until the middle of May. Leaving San Pedro and San Diego, the units will organize as White and Black fleets, which, during the second phase will contest for control of an ocean area of wide extent. After the White and Black fleets have concluded their warfare, the entire fleet will unite for advance tactical exercises, to be followed by anchorage in Hawaiian waters where attention will be paid to the vital problem of protecting a fleet at anchor.

Leaving Hawaiian bases, the fleet will be divided into Purple and Maroon groups for extensive manoeuvres employing all types, including submarines and something likely 100 Army planes based on Hawaii. Subsequently, there will be general liberty and recreation in Hawaiian waters and the last phase of the exercises covers the return of the fleet to the Pacific Coast.

No guns will be fired in the manoeuvres, but they will be simulated by searchlights and other means. Traditionally, there will be no "winner" in the mimic fleet battles but the Navy learns many lessons and gains valuable experience. The manoeuvres which have attracted some unfavorable comment in Japan are expected

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### Eason-Bell Vows Spoken in Fountain Baptist Church

#### Ceremony Performed Saturday For Popular Young Couple

Fountain.—The wedding of Miss Dollie Louise Bell and Roy Lester Eason was solemnized Saturday morning, April 6, at 10:00 o'clock in the Fountain Baptist Church, with the Rev. M. M. Johnson, of Bethel, a former pastor of the bride, officiating. The ceremony was attended by relatives and close friends.

The church presented a lovely setting for the occasion with a background of long leaf pine and spruce, interspersed with floor baskets of pink and white snapdragons.

Miss Elizabeth Braswell, of Hamlet, pianist, presented a program of nuptial music prior to the ceremony, including "Ave Maria," "At Dawning," "Evening Star," "Dark Eyes," and "The Sweetest Story Ever Told," and "Because." Miss Bertha Bell, sister of the bride, sang "I Love You Truly." "The Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin was used as a processional and Mendelssohn's wedding march was played as a recessional.

Miss Bell wore a sheer crepe dress of dusty rose with a blue spring coat and hat. Her flowers were a shoulder corsage of pink sweetpeas and valley lilies.

Miss Braswell wore a frock of rose crepe and a black hat. Her corsage was of sweetpeas and valley lilies. The bride and bridegroom entered the church together and the vows were spoken to the soft strains of "O Perfect Love." The bride wore a modish costume suit of aqua sheer wool crepe with pockets of lynx. Her hat and gloves were heather, and other accessories were of black patent leather. Her only ornament was an heirloom watch necklace worn by the bride's mother at her own wedding. Her flowers were a shoulder corsage of pink sweetpeas, roses, sweetpeas and forget-me-nots.

The mother of the bride wore a dress of Japonica crepe and a navy coat and hat.

Mrs. J. G. Eason, mother of the bridegroom, was gowned in grey crepe. Both wore corsages of tall-man roses and valley lilies.

Mrs. Eason, an attractive and gifted young woman, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lilly Richard Bell, of Fountain and Goldboro. She was graduated from Western Carolina Teachers College, and is a member of the Battleboro school faculty.

Mr. Eason is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Eason, of Maclefield and Conetoe, near which town he has farming interests.

Immediately after the ceremony, the popular young couple left for a wedding trip to unannounced points. Upon their return, they will establish residence near Conetoe.

### Get Cotton Mattresses Low Income Families

Cotton and other materials for the making of mattresses is being given to low income families of the State through a cooperative program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the State College Extension Service. Already six counties have availed themselves of this opportunity to receive without cost surplus cotton held by the Surplus Commodities Corporation.

The materials for making cotton mattresses for low income families are furnished in any county where the County AAA committee certifies that there are at least 120 rural families in the specified low income group.

The extension Service, through its county agents, takes the lead in conducting demonstrations to show members of the families and other leaders how to make the mattresses, and in distributing the cotton and ticking.

Farm families with a total cash for the calendar year of not more than \$50, and non-farm families with a gross income for the year of not more than \$500, are eligible to participate in the surplus cotton program.

The first counties approved were Anson, McDowell, Alexander, Person, Halifax, and Wayne. Demonstrations have already been held in those counties and the cotton and ticking is on the way.

In addition to these six counties, applications have been received from Hoke, Avery, Vance, Bertie and Yancey counties. John W. Goodman, assistant director of Extension, and Miss Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent, are in charge of the program for the Extension Service. Miss Pauline Gordon, Extension economist in home management and house furnishings, and Eugene Starnes, assistant farm agent-at-large, are conducting the demonstrations.

Cooking may be a lost art but the question remains, "Who lost it?"

### GREAT NAVAL BATTLE RAGING; BRITISH WARSHIPS BATTER THEIR WAY TO OSLO FJORD

#### High Point Host To P. T. A. Convention

Now that Easter is over and those PTA-sponsored egg hunts are a thing of the past, Parent-Teacher people all over North Carolina are making plans to attend their 21st annual convention.

Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, state PTA president, and her board members have been planning the program for months. And this week, Mrs. Alley announces that plans are practically complete for the 1940 state-wide PTA convention to be held in High Point April 17-19. Hotel Sheraton is to be the convention headquarters.

The program, built around a central theme, "The Next Steps in Education," will bring to its listeners speakers from a dozen state organizations, both educational and civic. PTA believes in studying a subject from all angles, and developing a co-operating program of public relations.

Mrs. S. C. Cox, a national vice president, from Roanoke, Va., will represent the National Parent-Teacher Congress at the convention. An address by Mrs. Cox will be the main feature of the opening session on Wednesday afternoon, April 17. Mrs. Alley will present the convention theme at this time.

This spring convention for PTA workers, where delegates representing over 700 local associations come together, is regarded by 70,000 PTA members as a culmination of their year's efforts. Reports are made, officers elected, and education and inspirational addresses heard. This year a first vice president and a recording secretary are to be elected.

The High Point council is planning to play hostess in a big way. A banquet, several luncheons, and sight-seeing tours for delegates are being arranged.

#### Square Dance To Be Given By Daughters of Confederacy Here

A Square Dance, which promises an evening of good entertainment for the entire family, is being planned by the local chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, of which Mrs. G. N. Holden is president, for Tuesday night, April 16.

The affair will be held in the Farmville Gym and prizes are offered for the best Scarlett O'Hara costume and cake walkers. Admission will be 25 cents.

#### New Children's Books At The City Library

The following new books have been placed on the shelves of the City Library this week: Wu and Lu and Li; The Noisy Book; Black and White and Carolina; Today with Tom my; Scamper; Lucky Little Lena; The World Is Round.

#### W. O. W. Supper And Meet Tonight

#### A. B. Galloway, Head Advisor To Speak

The Woodmen of the World are now celebrating their Golden Anniversary in the 44 states in which they operate. The Society came into being on June 6, 1890, and each camp securing fifty new members by June 6 of this year will receive a beautiful silk banner, complete with staff and base, bearing the camp and state numbers. Each member securing another member will be given a gold wedge lapel pin.

Farmville Camp No. 917 will celebrate the securing of 40 new members at a barbeque supper tonight, Friday, April 12, at 7:30 o'clock in the Masonic Hall, to which all members and those whose applications for membership have been filed, are invited to attend.

The speaker of the evening will be A. B. Galloway, of Brevard, Head Advisor of the State Society. He will be introduced by James E. McAbee, of Farmville, special representative of the Woodmen of the World.

Following the supper there will be an initiation, when the degrees will be conferred on several new candidates by the drill team Captain, Marvin Hinson, and the local camp officers. All are urged to be present.

#### DUSTING

J. B. Webb of Chowan County was highly pleased with the results of the sulphur dusting demonstration he conducted with peanuts last year, reports N. K. Rowell, assistant farm agent of the State College Extension Service.

#### Germans Reported To Have Suffered Heavy Loss of Life as Troop Ships Sink In Skagerrak; British Penetrate Vital Water Route Leading To Norway

Stockholm, April 11.—British warships were reported early today to be ready to shell the Germans out of Oslo after engaging German men-of-war in the biggest battle since the British grand fleet limped home from the Battle of Jutland 24 years ago.

First meagre reports of the battle, fought almost within Swedish territorial waters, said the British fleet appeared to be whipping the Nazi warships after forcing its way through the narrow Skagerrak and down into the Kattegat strait between Sweden and Denmark.

Fierce fighting also was raging early today in Oslo Fjord, it was said, with the remnants of Norway's tiny navy aiding the British.

British Ultimatum. The British, according to the Stockholm radio, served an ultimatum threatening to turn their guns on Oslo unless the Germans gave up their "protective" hold on the capital by noon today.

The city was being evacuated amid scenes of panic, according to reports at the Swedish frontier, while planes battled overhead and bombs fell on the outskirts.

(In London, reports circulated that Adolf Hitler had served an ultimatum on Sweden demanding the right to transport troops and supplies across Swedish territory to maintain his foothold in Scandinavia.)

In the Skagerrak battle, within sight of people in the Swedish town of Gothenburg, four German cruisers and five heavily-laden troop ships were sunk, according to these reports.

The pit of the battle was a few miles northwest of the Island of Hiplen.

Nazi Ships Down. Hiplen residents said they saw two ships, believed to be Nazi transports, explode and disappear into the sea with amazing speed.

Hundreds of heads bobbed in the water, but fishermen were afraid to expose their frail craft in rescue work because of the intense firing.

Later several fishing boats left the Island of Roeroe adjoining Hiplen and returned loaded with dead and wounded German soldiers and sailors.

The detonations of the broadsides shook houses on the Swedish islands and shattered windows.

The German fleet in the battle was reported to have consisted of 23 ships, 11 of which were troop transports.

The loss of lives was great and many bodies of German soldiers and sailors were washed up on shore.

Several badly damaged troop ships ran for refuge within Swedish territorial waters.

See Fighting. Residents of the Swedish town of Marstrand saw ships go down in flames and watched the flashes of pounding, big-calibre guns.

The naval battle began at 3 p.m., Wednesday and continued until far into the night when part of the British fleet, reported to be 10 ships, pushed back northward into the Skagerrak at full speed and into Oslo Fjord.

Gothenburg reports said there was great loss of life in the sinking of five German troop ships.

Inhabitants of Marstrand reported that the battle began between German armed trawlers and British submarines, and that later warships and bombing planes entered the conflict.

Residents of the Island of Eskeroe said they saw two Nazi warships sink first. One was a German cruiser in flames.

A short distance away circles of black smoke rose from the shattered German cruiser.

Norway Helps. Norwegian ships aided the British in the battle in Oslo Fjord, it was said.

The German cruiser Emden of 5,400 tons was reported by radio to have been sunk in Oslo Fjord and a usually trustworthy diplomatic source said it went down under the guns of the 1,596-ton Norwegian minelayer Iiva Trysvasson in single-handed combat.

A heavy loss of life was reported aboard the Emden. The Swedish general staff, quoting official information from the Norwegian high command, announced that Allied troops landed from warships on the Norwegian west coast had captured the seaports and defense bases of Bergen and Trondheim from the Germans.