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The Mouth Piece

At least 100 ladies in the Mount Olive section should sport orchid corsages next weekend. That many have been ordered by Summerlin's Electrical Service here to give free to the first 100 ladies attending their showing of 1954 appliances this week end.

The flowers, direct from Hawaii, will be presented those attending the showing between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock Friday evening. Cecil Winstead assured us there would be no sales of appliances during the showing, but we don't imagine you'd have to twist his arm very hard to get him to take an order during that time.

If you're the 101st woman to ask for an orchid, don't blame us!

Even after being notified about the signal, we were fooled at first by Sunday's civil defense alarm signal. To tell the truth, most of the other firemen were, too. Habit, long ingrained, makes local volunteer firemen move when the siren first sounds. Somehow or other you just can't sit around and count the signals to see whether it's a fire alarm, or a defense signal of 12 short blasts, in groups of threes.

Some citizens, commenting on the signal, said they just thought somebody was blowing the siren for a fire who did not know how to handle the siren.

Mack Walker, who spent about three years in a Korean prison camp, evidently got used to doing without his freedom. We heard, in a round-about way, that he was married over the week end to Miss Mary Rivenbark, Clinic drug store's blonde soda clerk.

A lady from out of town (we dare not mention any names), was visiting her daughter and son-in-law last week, and during the visit went with her daughter to Raleigh. While in the capital city this lady's false teeth began to bother her something terrible.

So, this lady goes by a dentist's office in Raleigh and asks him to fix her teeth. The doctor was busy at the moment, and asked the lady to call back by before she left town. Which she did.

On the way back to Mount Olive the lady commented several times that she didn't know what the dentist had done to her teeth, but they felt much different than they ever had before. For the next day or two she suffered with the misfitting plate. Following several times that the dentist had certainly done something to them.

A day or two after the Raleigh visit, a long-distance telephone call to the local home informed the lady from out of town, that the dentist had handed her the wrong plate of teeth, by mistake, and he was sending her plate here on the bus, and would she please send the plate he'd given her back to him at once.

"No wonder these teeth have felt so funny," the lady commented. "I wonder who in the world these teeth belong to?"

Her son-in-law, who'd answered the telephone, said, just as seriously as he knew how, "The doctor said they belonged to an old colored woman out at the insane asylum."

The story goes that our out-of-town friend split the teeth into the furthest corner of the room, and that her son-in-law (honestly now, do you know of but one person in Mount Olive who'd do a thing like that?) is still laughing.

Never has there been a crime in which liquor figured more conspicuously than in the Bobby Greenlease kidnap-murder case. The abductor, Carl Austin Hall, 34, and his paramour, Bonnie Brown Heady, 41, confessed to an insatiable desire for alcohol. The sordid plan was conceived, they admitted, at the bar in Mrs. Heady's home.

In a letter written before she was doomed to die in the gas chamber for the crime, Mrs. Heady told the parents of the six-year-old Kansas City victim:

"I am not trying in any way to make any excuse for my actions, as I don't have any.

"But I think anyone will find that if he drinks from one to two fifths of whiskey a day for a year a half that your brain doesn't function properly.

"Since I've been in jail is the first time I've been able to reason clearly for some time. . . . Tomorrow.

Cadet Earl Graves Is Promoted at Riverside

Cadet Earl P. Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Graves, North Church street, Mount Olive, has just been promoted from the rank of sergeant to sergeant first class according to special orders issued at Riverside's Winter Home at Hollywood, Fla.

Final Report on Dimes Fund Shows Contributions \$2,040

Louis Parker, chairman, announced yesterday Mount Olive contributed a total of \$2,040 to the March of Dimes drive this year. The drive ended Saturday.

This was the largest amount ever raised in Mount Olive during a March of Dimes campaign, approximately \$740 more than was collected last year in the city's previous high. About \$1,300 was turned over to the drive last year.

The drive locally was sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce with other organizations and businesses cooperating. Participating were Carver and Mount Olive schools, theaters, restaurants, businesses, American Legion post and the citizens of this community, who gave so generously, Parker said.

Schools solicited funds for the drive, while the American Legion turned over proceeds from a Saturday night dance. Businesses and individuals contributed, while two restaurants, Rusty's Grill and Reaves' Restaurant, held coffee days. The theatres let the Girl Scouts solicit during the intermission and showed movies to the grades at both Carver and Mount Olive schools getting the largest amount of contributions.

Kelly Has Filed For Duplin Post

Duplin County will stagger terms of its commissioners in order there will be no complete changeover on the board.

This will take effect this year with the three candidates getting the largest number of votes being elected to a four-year term, while the two low men will be in office for two years. In future elections, all winning candidates for county commissioners will be elected for four years.

Only one candidate has filed for commissioner to date. He is E. E. Kelly of Glisson, representative of the second commissioner district, composed of Wolfesboro, Glisson, Albemarle and Smith townships. Kelly is an incumbent.

Ray Scarborough Honored By State Jaycee Meeting

Ray Scarborough of Mount Olive, major league pitcher, who announced his retirement from organized baseball last fall, received a special certificate of merit for having distinguished himself in the field of sports.

This certificate was awarded the former American League hurler Sunday afternoon at a Jaycee meeting in Greensboro. He received the certificate in connection with the state Junior Chamber of Commerce's Distinguished Service Award, which was won by Oland Peele of Pikeville.

The award to Scarborough was not made for any specific achievement, but for the general manner in which he conducted himself as a sports figure, setting a good sportsmanship example during his long career in the Major Leagues.

The North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award made Sunday to Peele is not connected with the recent selection of local young men who have been outstanding in their respective communities. The naming of the state winner of the Community-Young-Man-of-the-Year will take place in early spring. Benny Franklin is Mount Olive's contestant in this forth-coming distinguished award naming.

In recognizing Scarborough for the award, Dick Bennet of Goldsboro, state DSA chairman, who made the presentation, brought out that the Mount Olive man by his general conduct had set a high standard in the national game and was an inspiration to young people in North Carolina.

Local Jaycees attending the meeting in Greensboro were Louis Parker, E. J. Bundy, Bill Bizzell, Wilson Lewis, and Scarborough. Scarborough, now associated with a feed, seed, and fertilizer business in Mount Olive, broke into the major leagues with Washington in 1942 and later saw duty finishing last season at Detroit. The Mount Gilead native was offered a coaching job at Buffalo, but turned it down in order to remain in business here.

More than 40 clover varieties have been tested for possible use in seeding United States pastures.

Begin Tests To Uncover Disease Here

The bloodtesting campaign which started in Mount Olive yesterday to uncover syphilis is now in full swing. The North Carolina State Board of Health emphasized that the program is for everybody.

Educational part of the program, which is a movie on health, including a cartoon, is being shown in colored schools because time does not permit the film to be shown to everyone. However, syphilis is a disease which affects us all and all residents of the area are urged to take a blood test.

No one is safe or immune from syphilis; it knows no race or creed and is a constant menace to every citizen of this county. Health officials say, "Don't be ashamed to take a blood test; syphilis is a disease and should be treated as such. Only those ignorant of the rages of syphilis will refuse the request of their state and county to participate in this program. Tell your friends to take a blood test and take one yourself."

The health department apologized for any misunderstanding that the program is for any specific group. Everyone is to be included. Syphilis cannot be stamped out unless the entire population of Wayne county cooperates in this program and takes a blood test when the opportunity is presented to them, officials reported.

Entertainers For Vets Are To Be Here

Bobby Del Rio, sacred accordionist and his group of veterans hospital entertainers will appear at the First Methodist church of Mount Olive Thursday night at 7:30.

The Rev. Russell Harrison, pastor, said no admission will be charged, but a free will offering will be taken to defray the group's expenses in entertaining servicemen in veteran's hospitals.

This group, headed by Del Rio, is sponsored by the Veterans Hospital program, which was formed by Protestant churches. The Rev. Harrison explained they perform at veteran's hospitals and occasionally appear at churches.

Del Rio has been called "The World's Greatest Sacred Accordionist," and has been in China, Japan and Korea.

Demonstration On Sewing is Planned

Special interest meetings for those interested in learning how to use their sewing machine attachments will be held in several places in Duplin county, Mrs. Pauline S. Johnson, home agent, has announced.

She urges interested individuals to plan to attend the one held in the community nearest them. Mrs. Johnson stated each meeting will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. and will be taught by the home agent.

Schools will be held as follows: Friday, Penny Branch club house near Warsaw; Monday, February 22, home agent's office, Kenansville; Tuesday, February 23, LaPlace club house, Rones Chapel; Thursday, February 25, Teachey Presbyterian recreation room, Teachey.

The 1954 United States soybean crop will be supported at a national average price of 2.22 per bushel, 80 per cent of the mid-December soybean parity.

NEWS BRIEFS

from Here and Elsewhere

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist church, Dallas, Texas, reputed to be the largest Protestant church in the world, will be among the distinguished speakers appearing on the program of the Presbyterian Conference on Evangelism February 17-18 at Raleigh.

A Republican criticized and a Democrat defended President Eisenhower's decision to send 200 U. S. Air Force mechanics into Indochina to aid anti-Communist forces. The defending Democrat was Senator John Sparkman of Alabama, who was his party's choice for vice-president in the past Presidential election. Sen. Watkins of Utah was the criticizing member.

Russia has chosen to break off the Big Four foreign ministers conference in Berlin on Thursday rather than grant independence to Austria.

Nationalist Chinese planes rained 30 million small leaflets on Communist Shanghai Saturday night as the Chinese Reds were celebrating the fourth anniversary of the treaty of friendship between Red China and Russia. Leaflets bore anti-Red slogans.

L. B. Rourke, former Wilmington police sergeant, is in jail without privilege of bail, facing a double murder charge. He is charged with shooting his estranged wife and an oil station employee.

Oland Peele, whose home is in Pikeville, received the N. C. Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award Sunday and proclaimed the outstanding young Tar Heel of 1953.

Legion Dance Will Benefit Band Club

The American Legion will turn the proceeds from its Saturday night dance over to the Band Patrons club and club members will make dancing more attractive that night by giving door and other prizes.

Proceeds raised by the dance will be used, among other things, for the purchase of more uniforms for the growing high school band, an officer of the club disclosed.

The American Legion customarily holds dances at the gym every Saturday night and occasionally proceeds are turned over to other civic organizations. Felix Bell, Jr., commander of the local Legion post, said in reporting proceeds from the dance on February 6 were contributed to the March of Dimes.

The dance will be held at the community gym.

Funeral Rites for Mrs. Anderson Held

Funeral services for Mrs. Clara Anderson of Mount Olive were held Sunday afternoon from the North-east Free Will Baptist church of which she was a member. The Rev. Wesley Price, pastor, officiated. Burial followed in the Anderson family cemetery near the home.

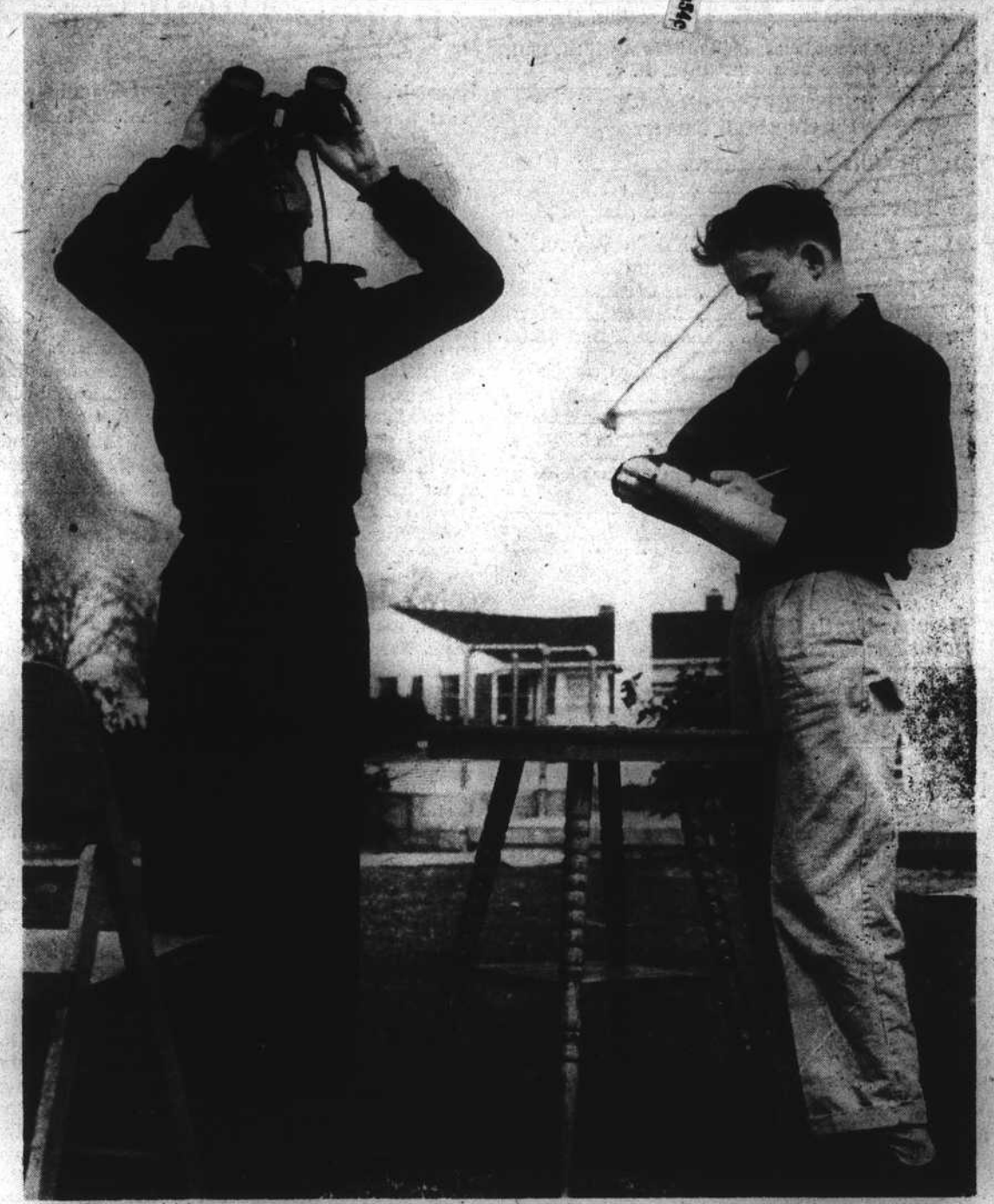
Mrs. Anderson, 81, died at her home three miles east of town Friday afternoon. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Ada Proctor of Wilson and Mrs. Alma Branch of the home; three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Mount Olive Is City of Ex-County Commissioners

Among its many claims, Mount Olive also can claim title to the city of living ex-county commissioners.

Of 11 living former Wayne County Commissioners four reside in Mount Olive, and another one lives nearby, giving a grand total of five, and another is expected to be added to the list next year.

C. D. Burnette, who has served for five years, including one as chairman of the board, has announced he will not seek re-election. When Burnette bows out next year at the time a new board takes over, he will join Robert Holmes, Rodney Knowles, Faison Witherington, Dr. G. F. Herring of Mount Olive and Kenan Jordan, who lives near Mount Olive, as ex-county commissioners and will bring to 50 per cent the number of former Wayne commissioners living here, provided of course, other members



SHE IS UP THERE—Jimmy Carroll searches the sky with his binoculars and reports on planes flying over to Charles Johnson, who writes down the information and passes it along to the telephoners, who in turn will relay it to air defense headquarters. These boys were on duty Sunday afternoon when the Mount Olive Ground Observer Corps practiced plane spotting.—Staff Photo by Gordon Williams.

Civil Defense Ground Observer Corps Here Undergoes Test Alert on Sunday

25 Cases Disposed of By Mayor in Court Saturday

A total of 25 charges were disposed of in Mayor's Court Saturday when 21 defendants were taxed with court costs.

Paying costs for two infractions of the law were Bonnie Copeland, Negro, of route 1; Edd Pearsall and Joe Wolfe, local Negroes, and Marvin Tanenhaus of Binghamton, N. Y.

Copeland was found guilty of speeding and disorderly conduct; Pearsall, engaging in an affray and public drunkenness; Wolfe, indecent exposure, and Tanenhaus, disregarding stop signal and speeding.

Florieta Brown, Mount Olive Negro, was fined court costs for assault on Willie Kornegay, and James Kornegay, and Ervin Kornegay, Negroes, of Mount Olive.

Marvin Brewington, Negro, of Warsaw, paid costs for having improper brakes.

Taxed costs for public drunkenness were Tommie Rivenbark, city; Lorenzo Price, Seven Springs; Emmitt Davis, and Bernice Stokes, local Negroes.

Traffic violators were: Joe Mor-

Meeting to Discuss Ammonia Fertilizer

Farmers of this section are invited to attend a meeting on anhydrous ammonia at the Mount Olive high school auditorium tomorrow night, Wednesday, at 7:30.

The meeting is sponsored by Standard Fertilizer company, which is bringing an anhydrous ammonia and bulk storage plant here, and will deal with types of equipment farmers will need to apply the chemical fertilizer how farmers are to use this form of fertilizer and the results to expect from the use of this type

risey, Turkey; Robert Amen, Jr., Clinton; Robert Chesson, Rocky Mount; Johnny Williams, Negro, Princeton; Matthews McCray, Negro, Pinetops; Leonard Jones, Negro, Newport News, Va.; and Irven Harris, Negro, Rocky Mount.

Tribune's Columnist Gets Letter

Kay Mitchell, The Tribune's teenage columnist on young folk's activities, received her first fan letter this week and it was from none other than the wife of the bureau manager of Hearst Newspapers, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Mary Steel-Sentner, a native of Mount Olive, daughter of the late Dr. W. C. Steele, and wife of David Sentner, bureau manager, wrote Miss Mitchell the following: "Dear Kay Mitchell: This is a letter I've intended writing ever since you began your gay, chatty column in THE TRIBUNE.

"You write with such ease and charm that I hope you intend to be a newspaper girl. You have a naturalness of expression that is most unusual and you string words together like bright colored beads. That means, I think, that you like writing and find it fun instead of a chore.

"When I first knew Dorothy Killgallen, she was a little younger than you are, but like you she wrote with spirit and verve and Dorothy loves a typewriter the way Lorelei Lee loves diamonds."

With shrill blasts of the fire siren Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock the Mount Olive Ground Observer Corps flew into action, checking all planes flying over this territory and reporting same to air defense headquarters in another section of the state.

It was a practice session and members of the corps had been notified in advance, but Edward F. Carroll, supervisor of the corps, said next time the Mount Olive unit would not be informed whether it is a practice session or not.

Within 13 minutes after the siren had sounded 12 blasts in groups of four, and the first telephone call had been placed, 23 volunteer members of the group had reported for duty at the corps' station at Luby Bell's home on Church street extension.

The local corps is comprised of some 30 volunteers, but others were out of town or for some other reason were unable to report for duty.

When it was all over around 4:30 p.m., Carroll said he was well pleased with the way the group had responded to the alert.

Purpose of this practice was to give volunteers actual experience in checking and reporting planes. This is being done so that in case of an enemy air attack, air defense headquarters can be alerted, and follow the planes' approach with the help of other observation units scattered throughout the state.

After the 23 volunteers reported for duty they were assigned shifts by Carroll and Mrs. Bell, who is chief observer. Shifts were comprised of five members, one at the telephone, one acting as chief observer and the other three acting as observers.

When a plane approached, the one assigned to the telephone would place his call to air defense headquarters and when the plane was passing immediately over or by his station, the report was given in code.

Mount Olive firemen and citizens had been prepared for the siren blast last week at a firemen's meeting. At that time Fire Chief Ennis Kornegay revealed the signal to be used in civil defense. This report was carried in the Tribune Friday.

Publicity School for Club Leaders Planned

A publicity leader's school for publicity leaders and secretaries of Duplin county Home Demonstration clubs will be led by Miss Jean Anderson, extension specialist, Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Home Agent's office at the agricultural building in Kenansville.

FIRST FAMILIES—LAST WORDS—The right hand of President Eisenhower awaits the farewell handshake from Turkey's President Celal Bayar, left. Mamie Eisenhower, third from left, escorts Mrs. Bayar down the White House steps as Turkey's first couple prepares to leave Washington to continue their month's good-will tour of the United States.