

677 NOTES CAST IN TUESDAY'S PRIMARY

Grocery Stores To Close Earlier On Saturdays

Schedule For Saturdays: Open at 7:00 and Close at 9:00 O'Clock at Night.

The Cherryville Merchants Association, through its members, announced today the grocery stores will close an hour earlier on Saturday nights, beginning Saturday night, April 28th. Heretofore the grocery stores have been closing at ten o'clock on Saturday nights and they will close at nine P. M., from now on.

This measure is being taken to make it possible for the grocery men and their help; to get home early enough to get ready for Sunday in order from them to attend church some where Sunday morning. It may seem a hardship for some of the people to have to get their trading done by nine o'clock on Saturday nights, but the grocery merchants are asking the co-operation of the public by doing your shopping earlier in the night in order to relieve these men and women who have worked since seven o'clock in the morning an hour earlier.

The general public has always co-operated in every way possible and we feel sure it will be a pleasure for them to do so again and make a special effort to get the trading done early as possible. The grocery men has done a wonderful job in serving the public and this little effort on the part of the public to shop early, we are sure, will be a pleasure.

The four grocery stores on Main street: City Market, McGinnis Grocery, Sanitary Market and Roy & Troy are being joined by many of the other grocery stores in the closing hours. N. B. Boyles, Hugh Helms Grocery Store, W. N. McGinnis, Harrelson Table Supply and Nuway Grocery Store.

The following schedule will be followed:
Week-days except Tuesday and Saturday open at 7:00 A. M., close at 6:00 P. M.
Tuesdays: 7:00 A. M., to 12:00 Noon.
Saturdays: 7:00 A. M., to 9:00 P. M.

Future Farmers Of America Dedicate Service Board

The Cherryville Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held a meeting in the Agriculture department of the Cherryville High School on Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock for the purpose of dedicating the F.F.A. Honor Roll board recently purchased and on which have been placed the names of sixty-one F.F.A. members now in service. Three of the sixty-one are in the Marines, and the other fifty-eight are divided equally between the Army and the Navy. Two of the boys are reported missing in action; one has been seriously wounded, and three received the purple heart.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ben David Eaker, who led the opening ceremony with the F.F.A. ritual. F.F.A. members led by Mr. Carleton Grimes Harrelson, son played several marches and former F.F.A. president and state officer, made the speech of dedication. Anne Hunter Sharpe sang "Thanks to the Yanks". Mr. R. C. Sharpe, F. F. A. adviser spoke words of explanation in regard to the rank and location of the boys who were being honored and pointed out boxes, rackmounts, and picture frames in the department made by boys who are now on the battle fronts and by one who is now missing in action.

The entire group then sang "There's a Star Spangled Banner Waving Somewhere". Mr. Starnes made a speech commending the chapter for commemorating the boys on the far-flung battle fields of the world and stated that action such as this would bring strength and courage to the boys who are fighting. Mrs. Hoyte also spoke words of praise. The program closed with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and "The Star Spangled Banner".

The F.F.A. Honor Roll will be on display in the Eagle Office window, after which it will again be hung in the agriculture department as a part of the permanent regalia of the chapter. The F. F. A. boys wish to thank their many friends for their generous donations which made it possible for the Cherryville Chapter to honor their brothers in arms.

Prisoner of Germany



SGT. AUBRY A. DELLINGER
Mrs. Ina Dellinger Gantt of Kings Mountain, Route one, has received a card from her son, Sgt. Aubry A. Dellinger stating he is a prisoner of Germany. Sgt. Dellinger had previously been reported missing in action. He landed overseas in December 1944 and has been missing since Jan. 5, 1945.

Sgt. Dellinger is a brother of Marvin and George Dellinger of Cherryville Route 2. His stepfather has three sons, Cpl. Miles A. Gantt, Pfc. Leonard Gantt and Pfc. Edward Gantt, all in the European Theatre of War.

Slightly Wounded



CPL. JONAS D. JONES
Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Jones have received a telegram from the War Department that their son, Cpl. Jonas D. Jones has been slightly wounded on Luzon, 26 March 45. Mr. Jones has also received a letter from his son stating he was getting along fine and not to worry about him.

Annual Meeting Of Gaston County Tuberculosis Assn.

The Gaston County Tuberculosis Association held its Annual Meeting in Main Street Methodist Church, Gastonia, on April 15, 1945 at 3:30 P. M. The meeting was presided over by Mr. James W. Atkins, President.

The guest speaker was Dr. T. V. Vestal, Director of the Division of Tuberculosis Control in the North Carolina State Board of Health. He spoke on the general problem of Tuberculosis control and tentative plans of how the Division of Tuberculosis Control, created by the Bulwinkle Bill, will function. He repeated his intention to come to Gaston County as soon as physical equipment and personnel for operating it are available. That will probably be sometime in the fall.

Following Dr. Vestal's talk, the business meeting of the Association was held, at which time a report of the activities and financial statement for the fiscal year, closing March 31, 1945, were given.

The Nominating Committee, Mr. D. P. Stowe, Belmont, Chairman; Mrs. S. A. Burts, Gastonia; Mrs. Joe R. Hudson, Lowell; presented a slate of the sixteen directors to fill the places of those whose terms expired March 31, 1945. This list included: Mrs. M. M. Batton, Bessemer City; Mrs. G. C. Frye, High Shoals; Mrs. W. M. Hall, Belmont; Mrs. Holland Band, Lowell; Mrs. Joe (Continued on Page Two)

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM IN 1917



Reading left to right, Front Row: Hillard R. Harrelson, Guy Sipe, Rush Stroup, Percy Helms, Victor Stroup and Haywood Kendrick. Back Row, left to right: Herbert Carpenter, Van Sellers, Jay Boggs, Esper Royster, deceased, and Grier Friday.

Cherryville Took 1917 Baseball State Championship

The records of the Cherryville High School team which won the State Championship in the spring of 1917 are not available. They must have been destroyed in the fire which burned the high school building a few days afterwards. However, most of the outstanding games are well remembered, by many of the Cherryville citizens.

At this time the State Championship was an open field for any high school, small or large, that wished to enter. The State was divided in the Eastern half and the Western half. The winners of the West played the winning team of the East at Chapel Hill for the State Championship.

Cherryville defeated Raleigh in a close score of 1 to 0 for the Championship on May 10, 1917. Grier Friday pitched a no hit game and Cherryville only connected for 3 hits. Some of the other outstanding games played that year were East Bend, also at Chapel Hill for the Western Championship. Cherryville won in an exciting 10 inning game 3 to 2. East Bend tied the score in the 9th inning. Other games played in which Cherryville was the winning team in all were Gastonia, Shelby, Asheville, Boiling Springs Piedmont and Charlotte.

The game with Charlotte High School was played at Belmont Abbey. George Murray was the pitcher and Chuck Pharr was the catcher for Charlotte. It will be recalled Murray pitched major league ball for many years after this. It is not definite but the Charlotte game was something like 5 to 3 in Cherryville's favor. Asheville another highly rated was defeated by the score of 17-2 by Cherryville.

S-Sgt. Mike Jones Won Infantry Badge

WITH THE 78th INFANTRY DIVISION IN GERMANY—S-Sgt. Mike A. Jones whose wife Mrs. Bence M. Jones lives at Cherryville, N. C., has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for "exemplary conduct in action against the enemy."

Sergeant Jones is serving with the 311th Regiment of the 78th "Lightning" Division in the campaign of Germany. His unit has participated in the Siegfried, Roer, Rhine and Remagen, bridge head battles.

SOLICITOR CARPENTER RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Solicitor Robert R. Carpenter, returned Wednesday night from the Petrie Hospital in Murphy, where he has been in treatment under Dr. W. H. Hoover. Mr. Carpenter's friends will be glad to know he is much improved and expects to be out again soon.

Every kind of children's, women's, men's clothing can save lives abroad. WHAT CAN YOU SPARE? THEY CAN WEAR!

CITY CLERK



ALFONSO BEAM

MAYOR



E. V. MOSS

Major Ballard Is Commended

At a 12th AAF P-47 Base in Italy—Major Alvin H. Ballard of Salisbury, N. C., recently received a commendation from Maj. Gen. John K. Cannon, commanding general of the 12th Air Force and the Mediterranean Allied Tactical Air Force, following a successful attack by pilots of his squadron against the Lavis rail diversion bridge.

An important and well defended military installation over which the Germans had been rushing great quantities of supplies to their troops defending the approaches to the Po valley, it was destroyed.

Brig. General Benjamin W. Childlaw, commanding general of the 22nd Tactical Air Command—a fighter-bomber arm of the 12th Air Force—sent the following message to Major Ballard commanding officer of the squadron:

"Confirmatory photographs of the destruction of the Lavis rail diversion bridge has occasioned dispatch to me of extremely complimentary message from commanding general of the Mediterranean Allied Tactical Air Force. Records here show that the mission was accomplished by your squadron. Please convey to those responsible the congratulations of General Cannon for the splendid job done in destroying such an important and well defended target. Also send my sincere appreciation and best wishes for continued success."

Brig. Gen. Robert S. Israel, commanding general of the 12th Air Force fighter wing, sent the following message to Major Ballard: "The results of your noted mission are indeed gratifying. May I add my appreciation for the splendid work being accomplished by your squadron and the group as a whole."

Major Ballard's organization holder of a War Department Distinguished Unit Citation, for outstanding performance of duty, has taken part in every major campaign in the Mediterranean

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Mayor And City Clerk Re-Elected

Wiley N. McGinnis and Howard W. Allran Elected From Wards One and Three.



Return to Duty

T. C. Homesley Entitled To Run-Off With D. R. Mauney, Jr., From Ward 2.

Voting today in the town primary election was rather slow until about four o'clock when the first shift workers began coming in to cast their ballots for their favorite candidates. When the polls closed today there were 678 votes cast, much lighter than was predicted by old time politicians.

About two o'clock this afternoon the count was only 213, and at 4:40 the count was 546. Two years ago the entire board filed for re-election and was not contested. This made a primary election unnecessary. Thus there was only a general election, and the voting was the smallest in some thirty years or more of the city's history. The final count for that year (1943), according to figures in the clerk's office, was 84 votes.

The election before that, 1941, saw a total of 816 votes cast, while the year 1939 gave out the greatest vote of all, there being a total official count of 959, in the primary election.

Two candidates for this years election were not contested, thus their names did not appear on the official primary ballot. They are Robert R. Carpenter, recorder, and George S. Falls commissioner for ward 4.

Troy C. Homesley was entitled to a run-off with D. R. Mauney, Jr., in the general election next Tuesday, however, Mr. Homesley informed us this morning he would not seek the run-off. This leaves D. R. Mauney, Jr., elected from Ward 2 as City Commissioner.

Voting Tuesday in the town primary closed at 7:00 P. M. there were 678 votes cast, much lighter than was predicted by old time politicians.

About two o'clock Tuesday the count was only 213, and Even an election has its humorous incidents. Bost Bess, candidate for commissioner for Ward 2, came to the polls late Tuesday afternoon to cast his vote, and incidentally to vote for himself, and found that he could not do so. He had forgotten to register!

OFFICIAL COUNT IN TUESDAY'S PRIMARY ELECTION:

FOR MAYOR:
E. V. MOSS 375
GRIER C. BEAM 205
OTIS (Tarp) HOMESLEY 74

FOR CLERK AND TREASURER:
ALFONSO BEAM 549
ARVEL HOMESLEY 67
HOP P. HENDRICK 27
JACK BEAM 24

FOR COMMISSIONERS:
WARD 1
WILEY N. MCGINNIS 421
J. W. BLACKWELLER 218

WARD 2
D. R. MAUNEY JR. 295
TROY C. HOMESLEY 232
L. F. JENKINS 60
BOST BESS 46

WARD 3
HOWARD W. ALLRAN 322
STEVE STROUP 308

District Lutheran Brotherhood To Meet

The Southern District Brotherhood, comprising the counties of Gaston, Lincoln and Cleveland will meet Sunday April 29, 1945, at 3:00 P. M., with Holy Communion Lutheran Church, Dallas. Rev. S. E. Ridenhour is the pastor.

One of the unusual features of this meeting will be the introduction of new pastor who have come into the district recently. Rev. C. E. Ridenhour, Dallas, Rev. Charles Bernhardt, Stanley, Rev. George W. Lingle, Gastonia and Rev. Wm. H. Stender of Kings Mountain. The main address will be delivered by the Rev. John K. Linn of the Southern Seminary, Columbia, S. C., and a former Missionary and teacher of religion in Japan. The subject of the address will be "Japan, Yesterday and Tomorrow."

The public is cordially invited.

WILLIAM C. RUDISILL, Jr.
S I C William C. (Billy) Rudisill, Jr., left Monday for Raleigh where he will be reassigned to duty after spending a 30 day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rudisill.

Billy joined the Navy in March 1943 and during the last 16 months has participated in five invasions in the Pacific theatre of war.

Cherryville Scouts Collect Twelve Tons Of Paper

Some twelve tons of scrap paper were shipped from Cherryville this week as a result of the effort of Scouts and their friends during the past few weeks, the drive culminating in a big collection last Sunday afternoon.

The collection began a couple months ago when Scouts of troop 1 began bringing in the scrap paper they could collect on Saturday mornings and having it baled and stored at the Dora Yarn Mills. This continued until the week of April 1st, when it was decided that a big paper drive would be held on April 28th. On that Sunday afternoon ten Scouts from troops 2 and 3 came in and helped.

Last Sunday afternoon, April 22, at 2 o'clock, a large number of Scouts from troops 1, 2, and 3 met at N. B. Boyles' Store and from there went on trucks out through the city to collect scrap paper and old clothing. Mr. E. E. McDowell, chairman of the old clothing drive, expressed his appreciation for the work done by the Scouts in helping to collect the old clothing as well as scrap paper.

Trucks were furnished by Kestel-Groome Furniture Co., with Vernon Harrelson driving; Western Auto Store, Mr. Lee Couble driving; Putnam's Hardware, J. R. Campbell driving; Roy and Troy Grocery, Edd Abernethy driving; N. B. Boyles Grocery, Lonnie Crane driving; Cherryville Ice & Fuel Co., Pete Hudson, driving; and the City of Cherryville, Ralph Neill driving. The services of these men and business firms are much appreciated.

Scoutmasters of Cherryville troops are: Troop 1, Rev. W. Luther Hawkins; Troop 2, Harry Allen; Troop 3, Rev. J. W. McLain. Much credit is due Messrs. G. L. James, chairman troop committee of Troop 1; Alonzo Stroup, chairman troop activities of troop 1; and John McGinnis, assistant Scoutmaster troop 1, and others who will be mentioned in a later write-up.

PRESSURE COOKER CLINIC IN GASTONIA MAY 1ST.

There will be a Pressure Cooker Clinic at the Home Demonstration Center in Gastonia on South Street, on Tuesday, May 1st at 9:30 o'clock. This clinic is free and all who own Pressure Cookers are invited to bring or send them for a check up. This clinic is sponsored by the State College Extension of Service. It is very important that all pressure cookers will be well regulated in order to save the fruits.

Jones Plumbing Co. Opens Business Here

J. A. Jones of Shelby has opened up a Plumbing Shop in the Lloyd Stroup store building on East First Street and will do general plumbing and repairing. Mr. Jones has had many years experience in the Plumbing business. The citizens of Cherryville welcome this new enterprise to our town.

REV. A. P. ROBINSON CONCLUDES MEETING

The Rev. A. P. Robinson, well known Evangelist, of Roan Mountain, Tennessee has just completed a two weeks Revival meeting at the Free Saints Tabernacle in West-End Cherryville. The last sermon was delivered last Sunday night. Several professions were made during the meeting. Rev. Robinson left Tuesday for his home in Tennessee.

Rev. C. O. Swicegood To Preach Sunday

Rev. C. O. Swicegood of Lenoir City, Tenn., will preach at the Free Saints Tabernacle in West End, Cherryville, Saturday night, April 28th, at 7:30. He will preach Sunday morning April 29, at 11 o'clock and again Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

EARLY SUGAR PEAS FROM VICTORY GARDEN

Mrs. J. M. Fromberger is serving sugar peas from her Victory Garden. The first from the garden was on Sunday, April 22nd. These are the first to be reported this year.

White Rock Hen Lays Large Egg

Rans Black, Jr., brought to the Office Wednesday a large egg laid by a White Rock hen. The egg was not weighed but it was as large or larger than the five ounce egg in the window.