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JONES IS DURENE SPEAKER

Durene Parade Shaping Up To Big Affair

Golf Tourney Draws 80 Entrants

Breaks All Records With Entries In Match Playing

With eighty golfers battling their way through the annual Durene Golf Tournament at the local golf course, most of the preliminary matches are over with the winners moving into the 3rd round and the losers backing up one flight to start over. Last year's champion of the tournament, Gordon Eaves, is in the third round already having eliminated all the competition thus far and is slated for a game with Doyle Medders next.

Here are the other contestants in the championship flight: Arnie Broome vs. Ken Black, Russell Medders vs. C. A. Killian, Ken Cooper vs. Walt Cooper. In the second flight, contestants slated to play this week are Jack Harris vs. John Fagan, Price Buck vs. Grady Lutz, Curt Reeves vs. Wally Thompson, Max Lawing vs. Amos Gillian. In the fourth flight golfers who will meet this week include Howard Beach vs. T. Thomason, F. L. Edwards vs. Milton Martin, Doc Henkle vs. B. Lawing, and John Cooper vs. John R. H. In the sixth flight, golfers P. B. Nichols vs. Frank Sitton, Lester Keeter vs. Charlie Landrum, Cy Eller vs. James Broome, Leonard Jones vs. H. S. Bofan. In the eighth flight are M. R. Hipps vs. Bill Auten, J. C. Ogletree vs. Ray Ellington, James Auten vs. Gus Chagaris, and Lloyd Coley vs. Howard Putt.

Losers of the championship flight who went into the first flight for their second try include Clay Felts vs. R. Jones, Bill Bumgardner vs. C. A. Ritter, B. Holland vs. C. Black, Jerry Pryor vs. J. Rotan. In the third flight are Joe Haverty vs. R. Price, Tom Ellington vs. Bus Dunn, Bill Mason vs. J. Black, Charlie Trull vs. Leo Jorgenson. In the fifth flight are Bill Stowe vs. Ed Cato, Ott Lanier vs. Clifton Helton, Frank Auten vs. B. Berry, John Cooper vs. R. L. Ward, J. C. Martin vs. Woodrow Long, Sol Brendle vs. Dan Long, Pete Johnson vs. Bar. Tom McIntosh, Jack Loftin vs. Charlie Auten.

In the ninth flight are Paul Auten vs. Arnold Conrad, Alvin Rankin vs. Sam Lineberger, W. S. Blount vs. Max Beam, and Ernie Tate vs. C. E. Moore.

The Durene Golf Tourney this year is being played differently from the previous years in that losers of the championship flight went into first flight while losers of the second flight went into the third flight, and so on, each golfer having two chances to win a flight.

Board Requests All Petitions

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mount Holly issued a request this week for petitions asking for the paving of a number of unpaved streets in Mount Holly to be turned in by noon Wednesday of next week. An engineer was in Mount Holly this week going over streets which will probably be paved as a part of the program recently voted by the Board of Aldermen.

A number of petitions are known to be circulating among property owners on unpaved streets which during this street improvement program. Several of the petitions have already been turned in to the Town Attorney, and it was stated this week and the urgent request for the remaining petitions has been made in order that some estimate of the amount of work to be done can be obtained as soon as possible.

READ THE ADS!

AYP Employees Durene Picnic

Employees of the Mount Holly plants of the American Yarn and Processing Company will be the guests of honor at a barbecue picnic to be held at Hutchison-Lowe Field Saturday, September 2 at noon, with all the local plants shutting down for the occasion. A. W. Bell, General Manager of the American Yarn and Processing Company, announced this week. This picnic is being given by the American Yarn and Processing Company as a part of Durene Week, the annual festival sponsored in Mount Holly by the Junior Chamber to Commerce here.

Tickets will be issued to the employees of the company on the basis of one ticket for each single employee plus one ticket for each, and in cases where either husband or wife is employed in an American Yarn and Processing Company mill, one ticket to the employee with an additional ticket for the other member of the family. If husband and wife both are employed by the company, each will receive one ticket.

On the menu for the picnic, of which an estimated crowd of 1,200 is expected to attend will be barbecue, Brunswick stew with all the trimmings, and cold drinks. Highlights of the day's festivities which are being planned now include a tug of war between teams; hog calling contests; rolling pin throwing contests; and drawings for a number of prizes which will be awarded during the picnic.

Master of Ceremonies will be Johnny York, News Editor of the Mount Holly News and the Belmont Banner.

Serving on the committees which are completing details for the first Durene picnic are: refreshments - James Bramhall and Al Baris; tickets and drawing - Preston Dunsen and Horace Doan; clean-up squad - W. G. Allgood, John Fagan, Elmer Meler, and H. F. Kale.

Arrangements are being made for similar picnics to be held at the plants of the American Yarn and Processing Company in other towns and cities, announcements stated.

Vets Setting Up Defense Project

Ken Davis, Commander of the James Parks Warren Post No. 9136 V. F. W. has announced that, in cooperation with State and local officials, the V. F. W. is setting up a local Civilian Defense program.

The local V. F. W. program will include the organization of First Aid Teams trained to render aid in injuries, accidents, explosions, etc. An air raid warden patrol will also be set up. Members with past experience will be available to assist in handling traffic and helping to maintain communication and power systems.

Plans are being made for post members to receive instruction by qualified military personnel at Army or Marine Corps posts in this State. These men will receive sufficient instruction to enable them to teach others.

Dr. A. U. Stroupe will be in charge of a first aid branch tentatively planned. Chief R. C. Robinson has volunteered instruction in traffic control in case of an emergency.

Legion Drive Is Going Over Top

The Membership Drive being held by the American Legion in Mount Holly is in high gear and next week The News will publish an Honor Roll listing members who have renewed their memberships and new members who have joined the local post since the drive began.

Methodist To Give Two Plays

On Wednesday and Thursday nights, August 23 and 24, the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the First Methodist Church will present at 8:00 two one-act comedies, Child Wonder, by Pete Williams, and Ten Per Cent Tommy, by Joseph Carlton. The plays will be presented in the Men's Class Room at the Church.

Taking part in Child Wonder, a new and very funny little farce about the private life of a Hollywood child star, are Frank Rankin as Walter, the father; Miss Margaret Jones as Frances, the mother; and Miss Joanne Cline as Eloise, known to her adoring fans as "The World's Little Bit of Gladness"—but at home she is just a little pain in the neck. Her father lives only for the day when he can take her across his knee and give her the spanking she so richly merits. Miss Vincent, a nurse, is played by Miss Wrene Benfield; Roberts, a butler, by Mike McIntosh; Laverna Carr, a reporter, by Miss Ruby Stilwell.

In Ten Per Cent Tommy, Martin Holloway plays the part of Tommy Ballenger, a seventeen year old who is too much engaged in big business, namely "lawn mowing, to other with "girls 'n things." Only when pretty Miss Gertrude, played by Miss Peggy Nixon, comes to town and he is delegated to meet her, and when all the other boys get jealous, does he wake up to his opportunity. He gets ten per cent on everything the boys give to Gertrude. The parts of the boys are played as follows: Leon, Bob Abercrombie; Wally, Bennie Carpenter; Bert, Frank Rankin; Bill, Bennett Kistler; Jim, David Wright; Angie, the fruit peddler's daughter, is Frances Sigmon. Ann McIntosh plays the part of the maid, Tommy's sisters are Mary, Louise, and Susy, played by Sarah Cloninger, Millie Taylor, and Emily Lynn Kelly, respectively. The mother is played by Miss Ruth Stone.

The public is cordially invited to attend these two performances. Both plays will be presented on both nights, for the convenience of those who might not be able to attend if they were given on one night only.

Miss Carter New Piano Teacher Here

Miss Emma Carter, a graduate of Queens College and the Peabody Conservatory of Music at Baltimore, will be instructor at the Mount Holly Schools this year, beginning her classes about September 1, it was announced this week. Miss Carter is a native of Mount Holly and is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel Johnson of Mount Holly. She formerly taught music at Sacred Heart School for Girls for two years before attending the Peabody Conservatory of Music. Registration date for classes will be announced later.

MONDAY VISITOR

A. A. Wilson of Belmont was a visitor in Mount Holly Monday. Mr. Wilson is a retired school teacher, and has taught at Moore's Chapel and several other places near here. He visited several of his former pupils here.

Will Draw A Big Crowd On Aug. 26th

A number of floats, at least two marching band units, and many other entries are expected to complete one of the largest parades ever to be held here, J. B. Thompson, chairman of the Durene Parade Committee, announced this week. The Durene Parade, which will be held Saturday afternoon, August 26, at 3 p. m., is a new addition to the regular Durene program and is expected to prove to be a great success according to all indications. Mr. Thompson stated this week. The line of march will form at 2:30 on Summit Avenue.

Among the parade entries which have already been received here are displays and floats to be entered by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Mount Holly Boys Club, the Street Dance Float to be entered by the Jaycees, the beauty contestant float featuring a number of the local beauties, the Farmer's Day float, marching units of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Civil Air Patrol Cadets, a Mount Holly Ice and Fuel Company display, and others to be announced later.

At least two bands will furnish music for the parade, including the Gaston Drum and Bugle Corps, sponsored by the American Legion in Gastonia, and the Mount Holly High School Band. The Drum and Bugle Corps is one of the best similar marching units in the state and has entered and won prizes in a number of competitions at Legion conventions.

Also taking part in the parade will be members of the Legion Color Guard of the Johnson-Laneberger Post in Mount Holly, it was announced.

On Monday night, August 28, the Durene Banquet will be held at the American Dining Hall and tickets for this event are now on sale by all members of the Mt. Holly Jaycees.

Tuesday night, August 29, a card of ten nights between the Mount Holly Boys Club and the Red Shield Club of Gastonia are scheduled at Hutchison-Lowe Field, and among the local pugilists who are training for this event are Jim McManus, "Pug" Waters, Lee King, Cecil Ballard, and others.

Attracting a great deal of attention also is the double header baseball game to be played between the Riverbend Old Men and the Mount Holly semi-pro team and the Girl's softball team of Riverbend and a Mount Holly girls team which has accepted the challenge issued sometime ago. Both games are scheduled for Saturday night. Listed among the members of the Riverbend Girls team who will be seen in action in the girls game are Elizabeth Farrar, Tommie Sisk, Virginia Thrailkill, Ann Craig, Barbara Howard, Nancy Hart, Nelda Thomas, Delores Rhyne, Martha Ray Davis, Jean Rhyne, Rachel Kirksey, and Faye Abernathy.

Both Riverbend teams have been on the winning end of several games, including games that were played against the Buck Steam Station last week. The two games scheduled should prove to be excellent watching for baseball fans and a number of valuable prizes including an electric ice cream freezer, a pen and pencil set, an electric perculator, a 17 jewel men's wrist watch, a year's supply of light bulbs for the home, and others, will be given away to fans attending.

Farmer's Day is also growing in the number of implement dealers and distributors of farm machinery who will exhibit machinery and farm tools, and a irrigation demonstration will also be given (Continued on Back Page)

BAND TEACHER



Robert Black, the new band director at Mount Holly High School, has issued a request for members of the Senior Band to meet at the high school band room next Monday morning at 9:30 a. m. to work out practice and rehearsal schedules prior to the opening of the schools September 6. Fifty-two students are listed in the Senior Band at the high school. Tentative plans for permitting the band to take part in the Durene Parade which will be held Saturday, August 26, have been made, Mr. Black stated. An invitation to have the high school band take part in the parade was received recently by high school officials and Mr. Black said that further announcements concerning this will be made after the Monday meeting.

The junior band members do not need to attend this meeting, it was stated, but all members of the Senior Band are urged to attend.

Registration For Students Here

Registration for students of new families who have moved into this neighborhood since spring registration was held at the local schools last year will be held Wednesday through Friday, August 23-25, it was announced yesterday. This will also be the only convenient opportunity for students who wish to change their selected courses to do so, Mr. S. H. Helton, principal of schools, pointed out, and any changes which must be made to qualify a student for entrance into college later with the proper credits should be made at this time.

School begins September 6, Mr. Helton pointed out, with the regular schedule going into effect immediately and classes getting underway the first day with no delay. After classes have begun any changes in classes in the high school schedule will be difficult to make.

Mr. Helton said that students who are planning their high school classes to give them the necessary credits to enter a specific college might take this opportunity to make sure that the classes they have selected are those which will give them the proper credits. A change in the college which a high school student is planning to attend after graduation may necessitate a change in subjects taken in high school.

Class Of '47 To Have Reunion

The Class of 1947 will hold a class reunion next Friday, August 25, at the Lions Club building at 8 p. m. It was announced this week. Approximately 77 classmates of the graduating class of '47 are expected to attend.

ATTEND CHURCH

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Moore of Charlotte were Saturday evening visitors of Riverbend relatives.

Congressman-Elect Will Address Banquet On 28th

Late yesterday afternoon Woodrow Jones, the Congressman-elect of this district from Rutherfordton, accepted an invitation to address the Banquet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce on Monday night, August 28th. Peter N. Chagaris, chairman of the banquet committee, made the announcement to The News. Mr. Chagaris stated that the banquet was part of the Durene Festival Week of activities and that only 200 tickets will be sold. These tickets can be secured from J. C. Rhyne, president of the club, Ken Davis, chairman of the Durene Festival Committee, Peter N. Chagaris or any member of the Jaycees.

Mr. Jones will bring a message of great interest and since there can be only 200 persons accommodated at the banquet it is necessary for those wishing to attend to purchase their tickets at once. Since the announcement was made that Congressman-elect Jones would speak here there have been more than a fourth of the tickets already purchased. This is an indication that the capacity will be sold out quickly.

This banquet will turn out to be one of the highlights of the big Durene Festival Week here. An outstanding program of events is being worked up and all those who attend will most assuredly enjoy this get-together. Mr. Jones will be pleased to meet his old friends here and also to make new ones. He told The News that he considered it an honor to be the principal speaker at this occasion and that the local Durene Festival was well known throughout the Western North Carolina.

Football Topic Of Sports Now

The grunts of blocking practice, the smell of perspiration as the football prospects begin to sweat off extra pounds added during summer loafing, and the assorted moaning of approximately thirty candidates for the Hawk football squad this year have begun to carry over the practice gridiron at Mount Holly High School. Coaches Max Beam and Herbert Hipps have been working team candidates out this week and report that in general, the boys look to be in pretty good shape and in good spirits.

Among the thirty who have been turning out for practice this week are both line and backfield candidates including a few returning vets from last year's squad and a number of new prospects, some of whom show plenty of promise.

A number of the boys are not able to make both practice sessions yet and some of the backfield candidates are away on a Raleigh trip with the Boys Club baseball team, but by the end of next week football should be in high gear at the local school.

Among the boys competing for line positions are Larry Waldrop, Gene Hendrix, Dink McManus, Charles Loftin, and Johnny Wike, working for the two guard positions; tackle candidates Joe Huffstetler, Robert Lee, and Merlin Brown; center Paul Dunn; end candidates Dicky Carpenter, John Robinson, Martin Holloway, and P. L. Black, and others.

With most of the backfield not through with baseball and able to concentrate on football yet, Coach Herbert Hipps is working with candidates Ted Waldrop and Lawing at tailback; Reuben Waldrop at fullback; and Bennett Kiestler at wing back. More boys will be out for backfield practice next Monday.

Coach Beam is working with the linemen this season while Coach Hipps handles the backfield and between the concentrated attention of the two coaches, the team is roughing into a semblance of a squad already. The Hawks did not enjoy a too successful season last year, playing football that alternated from excellent to poor in the course of a single game and this year's squad is beginning to look a lot better in comparison. Horseplay is at a minimum with work on blocking, tackling, and backfield kinks receiving all the attention of the boys.

Bantams Now In State Meet

After finishing a successful season in Mount Holly the Boys Club ball team left with a roster of 19 men at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning for Raleigh to enter the State Championship tournament. They arrived in the Capital at 10 o'clock. The first game was rained out and they played Greenville, N. C. late yesterday afternoon. The News did not learn the score. The Boys Club team finished the season with 13 wins and 3 losses. Superior came in second with a 10-6 standing. Woodlawn had a 9-7; North Belmont a 8-8 and American-Town 9-16.

In the playoffs Adrian-Madora defeated the Woodlawn-Nims team in two straight games. The first game was by a score of 7-3 and the second game was won by 8 to 3. Superior beat North Belmont 6 to 3 and 3 to 2 in two games for a best two out of three.

Adrian-Madora then played Superior in a three out of five games series. The series went the entire five games with some great ball being played. Superior won the first game and eventually the series. The score was 3 to 2.

The Adrian-Madora boys took the second game 7 to 6 and Superior came back in the third game to win 7 to 0. Adrian won the fourth game and tied the series by a score of 6 to 3. In the final game the two teams agreed on 7 inning game due to the State Tourney. However the game went 14 innings with Superior winning 6 to 7.

The winner are at Raleigh now, or rather the All-Stars. Yesterday The News learned by telephone that the team was taken to Governors office and a sight-seeing tour of the Capital.

VFW To Meet On Next Tuesday Nite

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the James Parks Warren Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Mount Holly will be held next Tuesday night at 7:30 p. m., Commander Kenneth Davis announced this week. Combat films will be shown and veterans attending are asked to bring any war souvenirs or trophies in their possession for display on the V. F. W. float to be entered in the Durene Parade on Saturday August 26.

The float will display war trophies belonging to veterans of Mt. Holly plus other displays of interest, it was announced, and the loan of the war trophies and the souvenirs will be appreciated. Items will be accepted for and returned promptly.

VISITED IN VIRGINIA

Mr. and Mrs. George Thrailkill and children spent last week at Portsmouth and Virginia Beach.