

SPARTA COMMUNITY DOLLAR DAYS - \$

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The War of nerves continues both at home and abroad, the general idea being to wear down the opposition by applying this technique in domestic politics. It is based on the belief that indecision and inaction will unnerve and bewilder the opposite camp. Your reporters are convinced that the President's chances for a renomination are steadily diminishing; that Mr. Roosevelt does not really want another term in the White House; but that he has definitely made up his mind that a New Dealer of his choice must get the nomination.

As a result of the War Secretary's appearance before the House Military Affairs Committee last week, where he explained the new Army-Navy aircraft policy permitting release of latest models for sale abroad, the Allies are expected to order approximately \$1,000,000 worth of planes from this country. The Anglo-French war board in the U. S. has already placed \$650,000,000 worth of orders for goods of all kinds with American manufacturers. A neat piece of business, this, should help reduce unemployment considerably by late 1940.

A former President of the United States once said that he held the cruelest office in the world. The last two weeks probably proved that statement for F. D. R. in spite of a tussle with the grippe (the President called it "flu fever") Mr. Roosevelt attended a formal dinner served on the gold china of the Monroe Administration, several conferences with Under Secretary of State Welles and Secretary of State Hull, and an egg rolling contest in his back yard; entertained President-elect and Senator Calderon Guardia of Costa Rica; had a press conference, and met and talked with Congressional leaders on several occasions. All of which took place amid endless temperature-takings and doctor examinations. And all of which was in addition to the routine work that even a President of the United States must personally take care of every day of the week except Sundays.

Supreme Court Justice McReynolds, only ultra-conservative member of that body, appears to be weary of his sole dissenter role. Of the eighteen formal decisions handed down one day last week by the court the old gentleman only participated in five. A sort of "what's the use" attitude that will probably last until F. D. R. is out of the White House—and the Justice retires.

Briefly: In the future, corporations, partnerships, associations and foreigners will not be permitted to purchase U. S. savings bonds. The Treasury Department has ruled that such bonds may only be sold to individuals. . . . When the British Air Ministry ran short of red pencils lately, they sent over to a local dealer for his stock of this commodity—only to find that each was stamped "Made in Germany"!

Snap Shots and Sun Spots

Biggest things this week are the intense activity across the Atlantic Ocean, and the prospect of big Dollar Days for Sparta. One is awful destruction of lives and property, with no lasting benefit to anybody. The other is an opportunity to replenish the wardrobe or the pantry, and make life fuller and richer in many ways. Frankly, we prefer the home prospect.

And one thing about the Dollar Days program that seems good, is that double the number of local merchants are joining in and supporting the idea actively. More bargains offered, means drawing more people to Sparta to do their shopping. And that means more business for Sparta merchants, and better business all around.

But, also, in this connection, is the sad fact that Sparta is destitute of buildings suitable for any new business that one might wish to establish.

Our world...

Germany occupies Denmark and Norway

Adolf Hitler's mighty army swept northward into Denmark and Norway. Denmark met the invasion with disciplined non-resistance; Norway met it with fighting, which, however, was "local" and "slight," and Germany now claims all strategic points in Norway. Sweden in response to a German request that she remain neutral, replied that that was her intention.

Major Sea Battle Raging

With the hope of giving Allied help to invaded Norway, British warships are fighting a raging battle against the German warships in the North sea. This late news gives point to the report of April 9, that about 125 German warships were reported approaching the Skaggerrak, the narrow arm of the North Sea between Norway and Denmark. It is believed that this will lead to the largest naval clash of the war, and the strength of the British and French blockade of the Norwegian coast will be tested.

New Cabinet in France

Paris.—The new war cabinet of Premier Paul Reynaud has yet to prove itself as a strong cabinet. However under the leadership of M. Reynaud, a five foot, five inch man, with the best brain in French politics, and who apparently thrives on unpopularity, it is believed that this cabinet may last some time, a thing unusual to quickly-changing French political power.

Stroke by German Planes

London.—German warplanes made another raid on Scapa Flow, the English naval base, and dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Germany Mistrusts the Dynamite

Bucharest, Rumania.—Police, supposedly informed by a pro-Nazi source, detained a fleet of English barges laden with dynamite, charged by Germans as being prepared to blow up a narrow Danube gateway through which Germany obtains most of its oil supplies.

Jim Farley visits Carolina

Asheville, N. C.—North Carolina will be host to Postmaster James A. Farley, who is scheduled to begin a tour of Western North Carolina, during which he will be accompanied by Representatives Weaver and Doughton. He will dedicate post offices at Canton and Boone.

Notable Eclipse we missed

The eclipse of the sun on April 7, supposedly visible to Alleghany County, but invisible because of fog, was a phenomenon which will not be repeated in the U. S. for 54 years. The moon came directly between the earth and the sun, with the result that the sun appeared only as a big polka dot, the outside ring being the sun, and the inside, the shadow of the moon.

Mr. Confucius Say:



Dollars Days In Sparta . . . Good Days. People Benefit With Bargains. Merchants Very Happy With Many Buyers.

Elders J. A. Fagg and Reuben Worrell

—of Winston-Salem, will preach at Little River Church in Sparta, N. C., Saturday night, April 13.

Mrs. E. M. Osborne and daughters, Clarence and Loraine, of Roaring Gap, and a friend, of High Point, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Spencer.

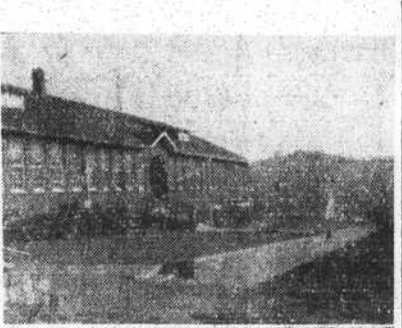
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First work done by N. Y. A. workers in Alleghany

—County is pictured above. In the upper picture, of Sparta High School, the walks and steps of concrete,

and the setting of the forms for them, was all done by N. Y. A. workers.

In the lower picture, of Glade Valley School, the building has been remodeled, more windows put in, and has been painted inside and the roof painted, by N. Y. A. workers.

Mrs. Pansy B. Fetzer, Consultant of Girls' Work, Raleigh, N. C., and Mrs. Margaret Stauffer, Assistant Supervisor of Girls' Work, District No. 3, Asheville, met with the Alleghany County Commissioners on April 1st to discuss the N. Y. A. Program. The Commissioners agreed to help in every way possible.

Alleghany County has just received a new project for Home-making, with Mrs. Zenna Richardson as foreman.

Operating in Alleghany County are three work projects: Clerical, Home-making, and Construction and Repairing of School Buildings. There are 10 youths assigned to clerical work, 20 girls to homemaking, and 30 boys to construction and repairing of school buildings. This makes a full quota for this county.

Lee M. Woodruff, County N. Y. A. Supervisor, attended a District meeting at Asheville from 20th to 23rd of March for discussion of the work projects for the coming year.

Furches

Furches, April 8.—Bruce Finney spent Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Finney, of Elk Creek.

Mrs. Jennie Warden spent Friday night with Mrs. Bruce Finney. Vaughan, the son of Virgil Petty, is slowly improving from scarlet fever.

Those visiting the home of R. M. Taylor during the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Irwin and daughter, of Waynesville, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Critcher, Frankie and Reba Sue Roupe, Bruce Williams and Edd Taylor.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Critcher Wednesday night and surprised them with a serenade and square dance. All present seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Floyd Roupe and J. H. Taylor made a business trip to Sparta Saturday.

Earl Taylor and Bruce Williams were visitors in Galax Saturday.

Those visiting the Alex Osborne home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ross Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Irwin.

Mrs. Bessie Critcher spent Saturday night with her daughter, Mrs. F. L. Roupe.

The following from Sparta attended the Methodist Youth Rally at North Wilkesboro Thursday night: Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Strader, Mrs. J. T. Inskip and Misses Eula Parsons, Marie Perry and Wilma Crouse.

Bargains galore will reign supreme during a 3-day event to be held in Sparta

Woman's Auxiliary of Glade Valley

—Presbyterian Church met Monday night with Mrs. Page Thompson. The meeting was called to order by the retiring president, Mrs. Clay Thompson, after which Mrs. Ellen Guerrant, the newly elected Spiritual Life Secretary conducted the devotional, basing her remarks on "The Holy Spirit."

The newly elected officers, Mrs. Berry, president; Mrs. Ralph Gentry, vice president, and Mrs. Page Thompson, secretary and treasurer were inducted into office by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Berry. After the installation service the new president took charge.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and the Treasurer's annual report was given by the retiring treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Thompson. A proposed budget for the new church year was read and adopted.

The following secretaries were announced by the president:

Historian, Mrs. E. B. Eldridge; Secretary of Foreign Missions, Mrs. Bruce Wagoner; Secretary of Christian E. & W. Relief, Mrs. E. W. Thompson; Secretary of Religious Education, Mrs. Clay Thompson; Secretary of S. & P. Home Missions, Mrs. Edwin Duncan; Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. Ellen Guerrant; Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Ruth Thompson; Secretary of Pastor's Aid, Mrs. Ralph Gentry; Secretary of Social Activities, Mrs. C. W. Erwin; Secretary of Barium Springs Orphanage, Mrs. R. D. Gentry, and Secretary of Glade Valley, Mrs. C. C. Thompson.

The program topic for discussion, "The Home and Christian Education," was presented in the form of a panel discussion. Mrs. Ralph Gentry led, and was assisted by Mrs. Clay Thompson, Mrs. Bruce Wagoner, Mrs. Ruth Thompson and Mrs. Walter Taylor.

At the conclusion of the program the hostess served a sweet course with coffee, to twelve members and one visitor.

The Lucille Ford Circle of Sparta

—Baptist church will meet Tuesday night, April 16, with Mrs. Bruce Wagoner at her home in Glade Valley. The topic for the month is, "Unchanging Moral Standards."

A Sparta girl won the votes

—in a recent personality contest at Marion College, Marion, Virginia, when Miss Emmaline Hawthorne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hawthorne, of Sparta, was voted by the students the "Most Attractive" of all of the college students. Miss Hawthorne is majoring in voice at Marion. She is a member of the College Glee Club, and takes part in many of the college recitals.

Kemp Caudill is improving

—as reported in a letter from the physician in Wilkes Hospital to Dr. Leff Choate. Of course the injuries are very real, and recovery is a slow process, but the indications are favorable.

Mrs. W. F. Hoppers and Mrs. John M. Wagoner returned to Roanoke, Va., after spending several days with their brother, W. B. Edwards, of Darlington, Md., who has been seriously ill. His condition is improved. Mrs. Hoppers spent a short time with her son, Lewis, in Roanoke and returned home Sunday.

Friday, Saturday and Monday, April 12, 13 and 15, when local business houses will cooperate in Dollar Days. Probably never before have the people of Alleghany

County been given a better opportunity to purchase their needs at lower prices. All of the participating merchants have planned this big selling event with only one thought in mind—and that is to give to the people

of this vicinity a veritable feast of bargains during these three big days. Prices have been "cut to the bone" on all types of merchandise.

Indications are that hundreds of dollars will be saved by the shoppers of this section because of the great reductions in prices offered during this big event.

Smithy's Department Store, Bell's Department Store and Jay Hardin's Department Store will offer clothing and other needs for men, women and children at greatly reduced prices, while the Cash and Carry Store, Smithy's Store and the Jay Hardin Store offer a complete line of Groceries and are offering specials that will really save you money.

Those who are looking for furniture will find what they need at Delp's Furniture Store, and at Rector's at greatly reduced prices and Kay's 5c and 10c Store will offer hundreds of bargains during the big event.

Rector's Store will offer specials on radios and lamps and the Alleghany Watch Company will offer specials on jewelry.

The Sparta Supply Company, will offer a full line from Fertilizer to Baseball gloves, and the Sparta Garage is ready with its lines to serve friends and customers. The Star-Times also joins in and offers two very fine bargains.

In fact, folks, the cooperating business houses of Sparta are ready and "a-raring to go" with bargains that will actually line your pockets with gold. They are throwing open the doors and inviting customers and friends to come in and take advantage of the almost unheard-of bargains that will be offered. Large crowds of shoppers are expected in Sparta all three days of the event. So, load up the entire family! Come to Sparta and enjoy this big event with your neighbors.

We suggest that you turn now to the advertisements in this issue of the Star-Times. Check every item listed and you will be convinced of the tremendous bargains offered.

Charles Andrews filed to enter the Democratic

—primary in the contest to represent Alleghany County in the state legislature. He was born and raised in the

Shiloh community, and now owns and operates a farm in Chestnut Grove. For some years he farmed in Alberta, Canada, and gained wide experience. For the past five years he has been back in his home county, and feels there should be a change in the county's representation in Raleigh.

The Townsend plan for pensioning

—will send its national representative, Grant Lowe, to Sparta to speak in the Court House, Friday night, April 12, at 7:30, on the subject of National Recovery and how it can be obtained. The public is invited to come.

Shiloh

Shiloh, April 9.—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mitchell and Rex Mitchell and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Hampton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weaver visited Mrs. Weaver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones, Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Andrews and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Blake Hampton and daughter, Ella Ruth, were dinner guests in the home of Rev. Lee A. Hampton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hampton and son and Mrs. C. S. Walls left Saturday morning for Richlands, Va., to visit Mrs. Hampton's sister, Mrs. H. R. McCoy, who is in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Van Hoy and daughter, Nannie, visited relatives at Piney Creek Saturday.