



Washington, D. C.—From an absolutely reliable source, we learn that a "peaceful invasion" of Greenland by Nazi "tourists" took place a few months ago. Also, that three sailing ships loaded to capacity with German "sportsmen" and complete "hunting" equipment reached there at a later date.

Greenland, incidentally, has an almost complete monopoly of the rare cryolite substance which is one of the most important elements in the production of aluminum ingots. Today all cryolite mines are under the control of a Nazi general superintendent and Nazi foreman—all ex-tourists and sportsmen.

Now, even such dyed-in-the-wool isolationists as Col. Lindbergh and his America First associates agree that Greenland in the hands of an enemy power would be a serious threat to the security of both the United States and Canada.

It seems to us that as Berlin was planning to take over the northern island, lock, stock and barrel, our State Department decided to step in. The agreement with Danish Minister De Kauffman resulting in plans for the establishment of an American air base there is the answer.

Whitehead

Whitehead, April 28.—Preaching services were conducted on Saturday and Sunday at Landmark by Elders Wiley Combs, Walter Evans and Charlie Wooten.

Mr. and Mrs. Page Choate and son, David, and Roy Choate, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday at Greely Choate's.

Mrs. Edd Hendrix, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hendrix and Mrs. Josh Caudill enjoyed a dinner at Robert Rector's on Sunday.

Aunt Nannie Roup, who has been confined to her bed for several days, enjoyed a prayer service conducted at her home on Sunday by Walter Evans.

Mrs. William Choate doesn't seem to improve.

Josh Caudill, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Caudill and small son, Maynard, spent Sunday evening at Coy Walker's.

Mrs. Raleigh Joines spent Sunday at Greely Choate's.

Jack Frost has been seen for the past two mornings in this community but don't think he bit anything.

C. R. Dancy held a revival at Center Primitive Baptist church in Ashe county for seven days and eight nights and five joined the church.

Master Dwan Brown has been much too free with his slingshot, and killed one of Jesse Wyatt's guineas last Sunday.

Walnut Branch

Walnut Branch, April 28.—There will be Sunday school at Walnut Branch church every Sunday at 10:30 o'clock, except on the Third Sunday, when it will be at 2 o'clock, followed by the regular church service at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Haburt Crouse and Bobby Crouse, of Martinsville, Va., visited their grandmother, Mrs. Ella Ward, last Sunday.

Mrs. Clayton Fender spent Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Delp.

Misses Jean and Pauline Warden spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Weaver, at Piney Creek.

A few farmers in this community have planted corn and some have sheared their sheep.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fender on Sunday were, Glenn Fender, of Mt. Zion, Miss Etta Moxley, Mrs. Bruce Vanhoy and little daughter, Mary Ruth, and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wiles and little son, Robert.

Miss Elsie Fender is spending a few weeks in Bristol, Tenn.

D. E. Douglass, of Mt. Zion, who has been very ill with pneumonia, is slowly improving.



A CULLIBLE BIRD IS THE OSTRICH TALL, WHO THINKS HIS SAFE WHEN HE IS AT ALL.



BUT HE HAS A DOUBBLE IN ARCHIBALD PARK, WHO PARKS ON THE HIGHWAY TO PEE WITH HIS OWN!

First Lady Receives Token



Most prominent of Lanny Ross's listeners to receive one of the sterling silver "friendship rings" is Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, shown here with the CBS tenor star just before starting on her current lecture tour of the Mid-West and Pacific Coast. The "friendship rings" which Lanny is giving to his fans are embossed with an attractive ivy leaf pattern and carry the engraved signature of the star on the inner surface. Lanny is heard over the Columbia network Monday through Friday evenings.

Our world...

Athens Submits To The Victors

Athens.—Adolf Hitler's green-grey conquerors occupied ancient Athens at 10 a. m. Sunday, just three weeks after the launching of Germany's crushing Balkan blitzkrieg, and hoisted the Nazi swastika over the crumbling columns of the Acropolis. Those who remained of the city's 700,000 persons greeted the advance guard of the Nazi "panzer" forces with proud calm as they rode in a mechanized victory parade past the temples of Athenian glory that have stood since centuries before Christ. The last of Britain's imperial troops had gone, after a valiant rear-guard battle against over-powering odds. "Athenians will meet the Nazi army with a stoic smile upon their lips, knowing that everything passes away," newspapers told them.

British Withdrawal Not Too Costly

Cairo.—The British royal air force has succeeded in withdrawing from its bases in Greece "without much loss either in men or materials," it was stated in British quarters last night. Although greatly outnumbered by the German Luftwaffe in the war in Greece the British fliers were said to have inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

Germans' Next Objective Is Crete

Berlin.—The Greek island of Crete, new seat of the government which fled from Athens, apparently will be the next objective of the German army after the mopping-up campaign on the Greek mainland and in the Peloponnesus is completed. Adolf Hitler's newspaper, Voelkischer Beobachter, answering British claims that the English fleet still would be able to dominate the southern exit of the Aegean Sea from bases on Crete, lends weight to this belief. Crete, in German hands, also would spell great danger to British strongholds in Egypt, such as Alexandria, Port Said, and the Suez Canal, it was pointed out.

Britain Can Give As Well As Take

London.—The R. A. F. dumped cargoes of Britain's powerful new bombs on Hamburg, Germany's biggest port and second city, Saturday night in a raid which one pilot said left a half-mile area "a huge, heaving mass like a volcanic eruption." The air ministry said an assault almost as violent was made on the big German shipbuilding yards at Bremerhaven and that other R. A. F. units pounded Emden and Cuxhaven in Germany, Le Havre, France; and Ijmuiden, The Netherlands.

Preparing To Welcome The Invasion

London.—A British army of 75,000 men, using 10,000 fighting vehicles and hundreds of tanks, drilled in anti-invasion exercises in East Anglia yesterday as the Nazi victory in Greece brought into sharp relief the possibility of invasion on the home front.

Germans Do Not Sink Everything

A British Port.—Thousands of Canadian fighting men and the largest force of Canadian-trained imperial fliers yet to reach the United Kingdom have arrived from Canada to take their posts in the war against Germany. Arrival of the heavily-guarded convoy was announced after the troops have taken trains to their new stations and the convoy was dispersed. The British said this marked another successful convoy job by the navy without the loss of a single life.

Big Army Maneuvers In Carolina

Raleigh.—The biggest army maneuvers in the peacetime history of the United States will be held in North and South Carolina next October and November, Lieutenant General H. A. Drum, commander of the first army, and Governor Broughton announced.

Local Hurricane Does Strange Things

Another of those things that need to be seen to be believed occurred in Ernest Hoppers' yard Monday afternoon. A small but very real hurricane picked up the frame and cover from his pickup truck, carried it off down the hill, and hung it up on a post. In addition the hurricane

picked up a chicken coop in the yard and scattered it in pieces on Mr. Porter's roof and beyond his house. That might be claimed an imaginary story, except for the fact that Mrs. Clayton Fender from across the road, being out in the yard, heard the noise and saw the whole performance. It was a short, sharp, and very effective blow, for Mr. Hoppers had to get help to bring the truck top back to the ground and to the truck again.

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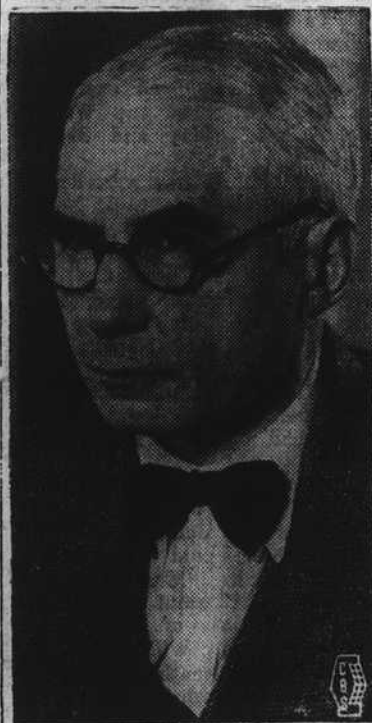
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First Shipment To Red Cross From Alleghany

Last Thursday Rev. Mr. Berry, chairman of the Alleghany Chapter of the American Red Cross, packed and shipped the first consignment of articles for war sufferers. This shipment consisted wholly of the splendid knitted things done by Miss Lee Britta Fowler, of Piney Creek, which were on display in the Cash and Carry store window for several days. They went direct to the Red Cross warehouse in Jersey City and will be included in an early shipment to Europe. The articles knitted by Miss Fowler were, two shawls, three sweaters, nine pairs of socks, three child's sweaters, a child's cap and a pair of child's panties.

More materials have been received from headquarters and many willing hands are needed to work the materials into garments for war sufferers. Mrs. L. F. Strader is the production chairman and materials may be obtained from her.

Tours Britain . . .



Elmer Davis, the Columbia Broadcasting System's distinguished news analyst, is off on a survey tour of the British Isles to observe conditions at first hand and to interview leaders in Government, military and social affairs. Davis will be replaced during his absence by Bob Trout and William L. Shirer.

New Window Signs Brighten Sparta

New window signs on a number of business places in Sparta proclaim the fact that somebody has been brightening the town up considerably. In fact, very few people have left any more definite marks of their presence here than has M. W. Warner, who came into Sparta about ten days ago in an auto and trailer and has been painting signs ever since.

Mr. Warner's home is in the San Juan Islands, which are a part of the county of the same name in the state of Washington, and are located just off the coast from Bellingham, Wash. But Mr. Warner travels and paints signs, and in these few days has brightened the windows of the Bank and the Alleghany Motor Co. Dr. C. A. Thompson, and both Drs. Choates have new signs. Green Gables has several new signs; Porter's Lumber Shop has some big ones that will be seen soon; Mr. Thompson, Superintendent of Education, has new lettering on his office door; Mrs. C. A. Reeves has a nice sign for her Blue Ridge Tourist Home; four trucks have new lettering on the doors,—viz. Luther Delp, Sam Richardson, Walter Blackburn and Elmer Rector. Then too, Smoky's car now displays the name of its owner in the latest approved lettering. And finally the Star-Times windows are now adorned with the name and well-known star.

Mr. Warner did some nice work, and the town has a neater appearance since his short stop here.

North Carolina farmers raised an estimated 20,678,000 chickens in 1940, reports the State Department of Agriculture.

Honored . . .



Miss Mildred Wagoner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Wagoner, of Sparta, was not only secretary of the senior class just graduated from Sparta High school, she was also class salutatorian, and was awarded three superlatives by her classmates. The class of 58 voted her the cutest, the best dressed and the girl with the best school spirit.

Roosevelt Makes May 18 American Citizenship Day

For the third successive year, the people of the United States will celebrate "I Am an American" Day on Sunday, May 18. President Roosevelt, at the request of Congress, has issued a proclamation to that effect. It has been pointed out that probably never before in the history of the United States has American citizenship and its implications meant more than it does at the present time, and that in times like these, when our Democracy stands out in strong contrast to governments that have subjugated their people, it is important to observe and commemorate the privileges of American citizenship as widely as possible.

Laurel Springs

Laurel Springs, April 28.—Miss Flora Anderson is seriously ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brinegar, Howard Dowell, Luther Blevins and Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson visited friends in Wilkes county on Sunday.

Misses Pearl, Hazel and Zell Brinegar visited Mrs. Jane Cleary on Sunday.

Jackie Brinegar, of the CCC camp of Marion, N. C., visited friends in this community this week-end.

Raymond Petty visited his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Petty, on Sunday.

Miss Arnil Pruitt, who has been ill for quite some time, is improving very much.

Glenn Brinegar visited Ben and Tom Osborne near Vannoy, N. C., this week-end.

Miss Carol Shepherd visited friends in this community Sunday.

Miss Marie Blevins, of Springfield, N. C., is visiting friends in this community this week.

Rev. Carl McKnight and Troy Blevins will preach at Pleasant Grove church on Sunday, May 4, at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dowell and family have recently moved on George Richardson's farm near Pleasant Grove.

Ennice

Ennice, April 28.—Paul Crouse and Leonard Spurlin spent the week-end at home and returned to work Tuesday.

J. C. Spurlin left for Maryland Thursday. He has position there.

Mrs. Earl Smith and daughter, Martha Mae, spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and son, R. L., made a business trip to West Virginia Monday.

Emmett Smith, who has been in the hospital at Mount Airy, is home now and somewhat improved.

More people live on farms in North Carolina than on farms in any other state except Texas, reports the statisticians of the State Department of Agriculture.

Lindbergh Resigns From Air Corps Reserve

The War Department accepted Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's resignation from the air reserve Tuesday and the White House simultaneously took two more thrusts at that famous aviator and critic of administration foreign policy.

Stephen Early, the President's secretary, said the resignation made him wonder whether Lindbergh returned "to Mr. Hitler" a German decoration conferred upon him several years ago. Early also took the flier to task for issuing his letter of resignation to the press before it had been received by the President. His announcement was made and his letter given to the press Monday in New York.

The resignation followed a press conference statement by Mr. Roosevelt grouping Lindbergh with appeasers of the Revolutionary War and the copperheads of the Civil War period.

Letter From An Alleghany Boy In Hawaii

A letter, written by an Alleghany boy in Hawaii on Tuesday, April 22nd, and sent by clipper plane, was received in Sparta on Saturday, April 26th, and this much of it, written by Earle L. Wolfe, will be of general interest to Star-Times readers:

"They are sending a lot more troops over here now, and if they keep on sending them, in a short time this will probably be one of the strongest fortifications on earth. It is just about covered up now with airplanes and guns. We go out in the field the 12th of May and will stay until the 16th. I hear it is going to be pretty hard. We sure are going through a lot of rugged training now. Our field duty is supposed to be under war-time conditions. We have to miss meals and go nights without sleep. It is designed to toughen us so if war comes and we have it to do, we can do it and still be able to do our duty."

Mt. Zion

Mt. Zion, April 28.—Mrs. Nettie Teague, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Teague and children, Verna Ruth, James, Faye and Shelby Jean, all of Wilkesboro, were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pugh Sunday.

Rev. R. L. Billings preached at Mt. Zion last Sunday.

Rev. W. H. Caldwell, of Sparta, visited his aunt, Mrs. Rebecca Paisley, one day last week.

Misses Fannie and Madge Douglas, who are trained nurses, and their brother, Cox Douglas, of Roanoke, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Douglas, who were ill.

Howard Smith attended the commencement at Glade Valley last week.

Quay Evans, of Baltimore, visited his aunt, Mrs. Mary Wyatt, last Saturday. He was accompanied by Mack F. Parsons, of Piney Creek.

David Sturgill, of Baltimore, spent a few days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sturgill.

T. E. Pugh has returned home after spending some time at Holly Ridge.

Mrs. Rebecca Paisley has moved into her new house in this community.

Carl Hampton, of Shiloh community, was in this community one day last week.

Mrs. Nettie Teague, of Wilkesboro, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. R. M. Pugh.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pugh are recovering from an attack of flu.

Mrs. J. T. Landreth returned home Sunday after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clinton Halsey, of Sparta.

A number from this community attended church service at New Hope last Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bateman and son, Arlie, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Smith.

Mrs. T. E. Pugh and children, Logene and Fred, also J. Roy Cox and son, Paul, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pugh Sunday afternoon.

All those interested in Mt. Zion cemetery are requested to meet there Friday afternoon, May 2, at one o'clock, to help plant the dahlias.

Cabinet Member . .



CLAUDE R. WICKARD

Secretary of Agriculture to Speak in Raleigh

Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard is scheduled to make his first public appearance in North Carolina since his elevation to cabinet status when he addresses the joint annual meeting of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association and the Farmers Cooperative Exchange in Raleigh on Tuesday, May 13th.

The meeting, an annual event of the two co-operatives which have a combined membership of more than 30,000, is expected to tax to capacity the Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh's largest assembly hall. Following the meeting, a barbecue dinner will be served Association members and F.C.X. patrons.

Mr. Wickard is both a farmer and a co-operative leader. He was born on a 380-acre Carroll County, Indiana, farm, which he still operates. He was one of the leaders in the upbuilding of the co-operative movement in the middle West and at one time was a director of the Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operative.

Accuracy is the watchword at the United States Naval Observatory where time is constantly checked by more than 200 "clock stars," the movements of which have been plotted for centuries. As the stars cross the lens of the telescope, they record the exact time by breaking an electrical circuit.

Next Sunday At The Churches

May 4, 18th Sunday

Rev. L. F. Strader will preach at the Sparta Methodist church at 11 o'clock, and at Gentry Chapel at 2 o'clock.

Rev. V. W. Sears will preach at the Laurel Springs Baptist church at 11 o'clock and at Sparta at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. R. L. Berry will preach at the Glade Valley Presbyterian church at 11 o'clock and again at 7:15 o'clock.

Rev. G. R. Blackburn will preach at the Mt. Carmel Methodist church at 11 o'clock.

Rev. S. G. Ferree will preach at the Zion Methodist church at 11 o'clock and at Scottville at 7:30 o'clock.

Elder Coy Roberts will preach at Union church, Whitehead, at 11 o'clock on Saturday, and at Piney Creek at 2 o'clock Saturday and 11 o'clock on Sunday.

Elders Carl McKnight and Troy Blevins will preach at Pleasant Grove church at 2:30 o'clock.

Preaching at New Haven Brethren church at 11 o'clock.

Preaching at the following Baptist churches: Double Spring, Laurel Glen, Mt. Olivet, Roaring Gap.

Glade Creek, Mount Union.