

People YOU KNOW In Alleghany

By Staff Writer



JOHN R. EDWARDS

Acknowledged as one of the most successful farmers in this section, John R. Edwards is an individual who has also played a big role in the public life of his native county. While today he has relinquished his public duties to younger men, he is still active on his 175-acre farm along New river and is vitally interested in all civic undertakings.

Mr. Edwards began his life on a farm about four miles north of Sparta in 1871. With the exception of a few years in one of the county free schools, there was no formal education. He began working on the farm before he had even reached his teens.

When about 18 years old he packed his belongings and went to Silver City, N. Mex., there to work on a cattle ranch for a couple of months. After the death of a cousin, with whom he was staying in Silver City, he returned to Alleghany and worked on the farm here for a year.

Worked in Iowa

The next three years he spent on a farm in Iowa, and at the end of that period he again returned to this county. But in less than a year he was back in Iowa and another year had passed before he (Continued on Page Eight)

Best Fish Tale Told By Miles

Game Warden Ready to Verify WPA Supervisor's Story About Big Bass

WPA supervisor Claude Miles tells a fish story—and Game Warden Dick Gentry will verify it—that tops any reproduced in these columns in a couple of seasons.

A week ago last Saturday Mr. Miles was casting about for bass in the mill stream below Sparta on Little river. It wasn't long, either, before something grabbed his line and began putting up a terrific fight.

The WPA official held on to the rod and reel with all his might. Then—pop! The line broke and the big bass swam down stream with the plug in its mouth.

That's the first half of the tale. Here's the remainder:

Last Saturday an unidentified individual from Winston-Salem tried his luck in the same stream. In no time at all a fish grabbed his plug.

After hauling it in, the gentleman observed an extra plug in the fish's mouth.

So there you have the story, although it might be added that the fish proved to be the bass that had escaped Mr. Miles exactly one week before.

And here's still more of it—Mr. Miles didn't get his plug back or the fish, either.

Greene Infant Died Thursday

Last rites were held at Boone Friday for Betty Jo Greene, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight L. Greene, of Roanoke, who died on June 19 approximately 24 hours after its birth.

The infant died at the Lewis-Gale hospital in Roanoke.

Until several months ago, Mr. and Mrs. Greene made their home in Sparta, where Mrs. Greene served as county health nurse.

She is the former Miss Virginia Ashley, of Lansing.

New Registration Is To Be Held At Courthouse Tues.

All Men Who Have Become 21 Since Last October 16, Must Register.

Every man in Alleghany who has attained the 21st anniversary of the day of his birth since October 16, 1940, must register with the local Selective Service board in the courthouse at Sparta next Tuesday, July 1, or else be subject to severe penalties.

Registration will be held in the office of the draft board and will last from 7 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock at night. C. C. Crutchfield, chairman of the board, will be in charge of the registration.

In event of sickness, registrants should notify the board and arrangements will be made to send someone to the home and complete registration.

It is estimated that there are around 30 men in the county who have reached the age of 21 since last October 16.

Men subject to the registration, and who are away from home and cannot, except at great expense and inconvenience, return to their local boards to register, may appear before the nearest local board and will be registered there. Such men should be cautioned, however, to give their permanent address, which is most important.

Men who have been in the national guard must also register at this time.

Dr. Eldridge Is Masonic Speaker

District Meeting Held Here Wednesday Night; Banquet Is Given.

Around 50 Masons from lodges in Alleghany and Ashe counties attended a district Masonic meeting here Wednesday night which featured an address by Dr. Chas. P. Eldridge, Grand Master of the Masonic lodges of North Carolina.

Before the meeting got underway in the Masonic hall, a banquet was given in the county office and assembly building. The meal was prepared and served by members of the Woman's club.

Short speeches were also made by John H. Anderson, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary, and several members of the four Masonic lodges in this district. Franklin Royal, district deputy, of Cherry Lane, presided at the meeting.

Alleghany's two Masonic orders are located in Sparta and Piney Creek. Eleven representatives from Ashe lodges attended the meeting.

The Masons of the two counties were told they have four of the most active and enthusiastic lodges in the state, and were commended highly for their fine work in the past.

CANS ARE NOW READY

Cans are now available in the basement of Smith's store to those members of the Baptist churches in the county who desire to put up food for the Thomasville orphanage, according to an announcement by Mrs. T. S. Moxley, chairman of the canning committee.

Last year the 10 churches in the Alleghany Baptist association filled nearly 100 dozen cans for the orphanage. This year 110 dozen cans have been ordered and it is hoped that an even larger number of church members will take part in the work.

Russian Bombers Smash German Occupied Areas

The war took a decided turn to northern Europe this week following Germany's declaration against Russia.

After the declaration of war, Nazi troops immediately invaded Russia with initial success.

Meeting the German onslaught with "stiff resistance," Russia officially declared early yesterday her armies had "annihilated" a Nazi mechanized regiment and her bombs had started huge fires in Warsaw, Constanta and other German-occupied cities.

Claiming great damage to military objectives, the Red army reported gasoline dumps were burning in Warsaw and the Rumanian city of Constanta is "ablaze" after three bombings by Soviet warplanes.

BEGINS REVIVAL MON.



Rev. Joe H. Carter, pastor of First Presbyterian church, Anderson, S. C., who will conduct a revival meeting here throughout next week at the Presbyterian church. Services begin Monday evening at 7:30.

Revival Meeting To Be Held Here In Pres. Church

Rev. Joe H. Carter, of Anderson, S. C., to Conduct Daily Services.

Beginning next Monday evening at 7:30 a revival meeting, conducted by Rev. Joe H. Carter, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Anderson, S. C., will get underway here in the Presbyterian church.

Rev. Carter will be assisted in the meeting by Rev. R. L. Berry, pastor of the church. Special song services will precede the meeting each evening. The public is invited to attend.

This week a daily vacation Bible school is being held each morning at 9 o'clock under the direction of Miss Nancy Houston, a trained worker sent out by the Presbyterian Committee of Religious Education.

Designed for children belonging to any churches in the community and county, who have not yet reached their seventeenth birthdays, the school will continue throughout next week.

Churches Plan Bible Schools

Beginning next Monday morning, vacation Bible schools will get underway at the Scottville and New Hope churches, it was announced yesterday by Rev. W. H. Caldwell.

Exercises will also be held at the churches during each evening of the coming week, at which times lectures will be given on the work of the Sunday school. Rev. Caldwell will be assisted by several other church members in the Bible schools and lectures. Church members are urged to attend.

The war report revealed that the Germans had brought their world-famous parachute troops into play in the all-out assault on the Russian lands.

Extremely heavy fighting north of Brest-Litovsk was indicated and German reports from Hitler's headquarters in the east told of "great successes" including the bunkers in the third day of the German-Russian war.

The fierce fighting apparently was between Brest-Litovsk, which the Germans captured Monday, and the East Prussian frontier and Priwet swamps. This region, with a base about 100 miles long, bulges into East Prussia from German-occupied Poland.

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County Assigned Quota Of 10 Men For July 18 Call

Questionnaires Are Mailed to All Registrants; No Volunteers Are Listed.

State selective service headquarters yesterday assigned a quota of 10 selectees to Alleghany county for July 18, marking the second group of 10 registrants assigned this area since June 1.

Meeting Wednesday, the board mailed out the last of the selective service questionnaires. After the second registration Tuesday, it is understood, questionnaires will be sent to new registrants as soon as possible.

There are no volunteers listed with the board at the present time.

Providing there are no volunteers between now and July 18, the following men will be expected to go to camp: Leff Joe Caudill, Gaither Lee Evans and Joseph Talmage Smith, of Sparta; Dent Bowie Pugh, Topia; Ernest Earl Taylor, Furches; Vincent Alexander Cox, Piney Creek; George Ray Long, Citron; James Reb Reeves, Scottville; Kemp Hilary Caudill, Whitehead; and Emmett Ray Andrews, Ennice.

Two men belonging in the last group sent to camp were rejected as unfit for military training. Another selectee notified the board he was in prison on the date of induction.

Camp For Girls Has Opened Up

Miss Priscilla Shaw, of Sumter, S. C., Again Manages Silver Pines.

Silver Pines summer camp for girls was scheduled to open yesterday morning with a full enrollment of girls, representing nine states, it was announced.

Part of a private estate, picturesquely located 370 feet above sea level at Roaring Gap, Silver Pines is a camp for girls from 7 to 16 years old. Here through her close associations and cooperation in a group, a girl may find one of the finest and most lasting experiences in her life.

The camp is now in its thirteenth year and is managed by Miss Priscilla Shaw, of Sumter, S. C. Miss Shaw arrived at Roaring Gap early last week.

A well-rounded program of activities has been planned for this summer with one of the best staffs of counselors available. States represented this season in Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, Idaho North and South Carolina, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Illinois and the District of Columbia.

Baby Hospital Opened At Gap

Dr. William A. Exum, of Duke University Hospital, Is House Physician

The 30-bed children's hospital at Roaring Gap was opened June 15 for its twelfth consecutive season under the supervision of Dr. J. L. Butler, of Winston-Salem.

The institution will remain in operation until September 15.

Dr. William A. Exum, of Duke university hospital, is serving as house physician. Supervisor of the staff of seven nurses is Miss Mildred Beards, of Duke hospital's pediatrics department.

Main purpose of the hospital is to provide facilities in the mountains for treatment of children who could not otherwise afford it. It accommodates both indigent and paying patients, and offers treatment for all non-contagious children's diseases.

Baby clinics are to be held each Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock. Anyone desiring further information about the clinics is asked to contact the health department here.

DECORATION SERVICE SUN.

Decoration services will be held at the Wesley Andrews "old home place" this Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, it was announced yesterday.

A great deal of interest is expected to be shown in the annual event.

Traffic Club's Annual Outing To Be Held Tomorrow At Gap

TAKES DRAPER POST



Paul Dailey Gambill, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cleve Gambill, of near Sparta, who was graduated from N. C. State college in textile manufacturing this month, has accepted a position with Marshall Field and company at Draper and has already assumed his duties. He is expected to be called into army service as second lieutenant in July.

McMillan Named To Head State American Legion

After pledging to "keep faith with the soldiers now in uniform," the North Carolina American Legion Tuesday elected R. L. McMillan, of Raleigh, as state commander and Mrs. Walter C. Craven, of Charlotte, as Legion Auxiliary president.

F. Scarr Morrison, of Statesville, was re-elected commander of the fifteenth district, L. M. Nelson, of North Wilkesboro, vice commander. The Newland post won a class D membership trophy.

Asheville was selected as the convention city for next year. Carlyle Higgins represented the Alleghany county post at the convention.

Read the ads in The News each week, and then BUY. You will really save money.

Interest Is Shown In Clinics Conducted By Health Dept.

Immunization clinics, at which vaccinations are given against typhoid fever, smallpox and diphtheria, are now being held at various points throughout the county and a great deal of interest is being shown in the work, according to the county health department, which is sponsoring the clinics.

At each point the clinic is held for three successive weeks. It is important that every child between six months and six years old be given two doses of diphtheria toxoid, the interval between doses to be from six weeks to two months.

Every child is expected to be immunized against diphtheria and smallpox before entering school. The maximum interval between

Leading Figures in Shipping, Transportation Fields Are To Attend.

Officials yesterday announced plans had been completed for the Winston-Salem Traffic club's twelfth annual summer outing which will be held tomorrow in Graystone Inn at Roaring Gap.

Featured event of the day's program will be the banquet at 7 o'clock with Edmund H. Harding, of Washington, N. C., widely known humorist, philosopher, musician, as principal speaker.

Approximately 200 visitors and members of the traffic club from Winston-Salem, Greensboro and High Point are expected to attend the annual affair. N. B. Correll, president, and Joe Chatham, temporary secretary of the club, are in charge of arrangements for the outing.

A buffet luncheon has been arranged at noon. In the afternoon, the ladies will participate in a bridge tournament while the men will participate in other activities, principally golf.

Golf Tournament

During the day a blind bogey for all persons as well as the tournament for the traffic club cup, in which only club members will participate, will be held. Swimming, boating, croquet, horseshoes and tennis will be available during the day for those attending the event. Dancing has been arranged for 10 o'clock to climax the day's events.

A number of leading figures in the shipping and transportation fields have indicated they will attend the outing. Among those expected to attend are A. H. Laney, president of Laney and Delcher Storage Warehouse, Jacksonville, Fla.; W. J. Wright, war department, Washington, D. C.; George W. Brice, traffic manager, Duke Power company, Charlotte; J. Charles Phelps, traffic manager, state highway department, Raleigh; R. W. Wirt, assistant vice-president, and C. B. Walker, assistant freight traffic manager, Southern Railway, Washington, D. C.; George L. Fella, superintendent of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, Charlotte; H. L. Lauby, eastern traffic manager, Union Pacific, New York; and many others.

CRUSHING STONE ON

HIGHWAY 18 SECTION

Stone crushing on another mile of highway 18 was started Tuesday and work is progressing nicely.

Plans are now nearly complete to let a contract for construction on a three-mile stretch of the highway, and work on this road will be pushed forward this summer.

At the present time there are 125 men working on four road projects in the county. This is the lowest number of WPA workers the county has had during the past three years, it is stated.

SPARTA NEEDS NOW . . .

an industrial plant, a modern hotel, a federal post office building and a civic club. Let's go after them!

Open House Held On County NYA Projects Thurs.

Sixth Anniversary of Youth Administration Celebrated All Over State.

The sixth anniversary of the establishment of the National Youth administration was marked by the holding of open house on all NYA projects in Alleghany county yesterday as a part of state and national observance.

The NYA is now operating two projects in Alleghany county, including clerical and home making. Both projects are located here upstairs over the D. W. Motor company.

Projects now in operation were open for the inspection of visitors throughout the day. Numbers of people visited the local projects and viewed the work now being accomplished in this county.

The state celebration of the anniversary was marked by the dedication of the Raleigh resident center, at which time Gov. J. M. Broughton brought greetings and June Rose, chairman of the state advisory committee of the NYA, and NYA Administrator John A. Lang made speeches.

The NYA provides a two-fold opportunity for needy young men, it was pointed out. First is the opportunity for young people who are out of school and in need of jobs to work for wages on useful public projects and to acquire the background of experience needed for private employment. Second is the opportunity for young people who are students to work in schools and colleges and earn some of the money they need to enable them to continue their education.

Convention Set For Mt. Carmel

Alleghany Baptist Sun. School Meet to Be Held Sunday At 1:00 P. M.

Plans are underway to hold the annual Alleghany Baptist Sunday school convention at the Mount Carmel church this Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1 o'clock.

All Sunday schools in the association are urged to send delegates to the convention, Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, president of the convention, said yesterday.

Highlighted by an address by Rev. R. West, of Yadkinville, the afternoon program includes also the devotional exercises by Rev. Caldwell, an address of welcome by Rev. Blackburn, and special music. Following reports from the Sunday schools and committees, Rev. V. W. Sears will discuss Bible schools and A. O. Joines, who is moderator, will make a short talk.

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