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Rain Slows Up Activities At Summer Resort

Roaring Gappers Stay Indoors, But Dance, Have Teas And Luncheons.

Even California's chamber of commerce could hardly have called the weather "beautiful" last week end at Roaring Gap, but there was enough sunshine to warrant a golf tournament, dance, and a number of beach luncheons.

A benefit bridge and tea was held last week for the proposed new children's playground. Family night was celebrated at the inn with the Ellers carrying out the family theme by walking off with all the bingo prizes. Friday afternoon a putting tea was scheduled but putting was out of the question what with more rain. So everyone compromised with some tea.

Saturday night a dance was held at the inn, with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sims, the Arthur Murray couple, giving an exhibition. They did a conga, rumba, waltz and tango. According to them, the rumba and conga are all the rage these days and "if you don't know how to do them you might as well start paying rent on one of the sideline seats." But no matter what the dance masters say, the younger crowd is still holding forth for the jitterbug, with Marvin Ferrell the acknowledged master.

Mr. and Mrs. Sims plan to give an exhibition at the regular weekly dance tomorrow night and also to have contests for the mountain crowd. Lessons are being held at the John Hanes cottage.

The Ferrell-Struthers wedding party entertained at Roaring Gap on Wednesday. Ann Hanes was hostess at a beach luncheon and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bovard entertained at dinner. Williams Struthers has been the guest of the Luther Ferrells.

Mrs. John Hanes entertained the members of the City Garden club last Friday at the (Continued on Page Four)

AAA Compliance Checking Begins

Supervisors Started Yesterday Determining Soil Building Practices.

Alleghany county compliance supervisors started to work yesterday in various sections of the county and local farmers, cooperating with the farm program, are advised that their farms will be visited shortly, according to the county agent's office.

The supervisors are checking compliance with the agricultural conservation program on all co-operating farms in the county. Their job will be to determine the number of acres, and the soil building practices which have been carried out on each farm.

Checking on tobacco farms in the county has been in progress for the past two weeks. There are 11 men employed checking compliance, one for each township, and two for the larger townships. Jess Moxley is the county supervisor.

These men recently underwent a period of instruction given here by state AAA officials, and passed examinations on their course of study.

RAINFALL OF EIGHT INCHES IN 18 DAYS

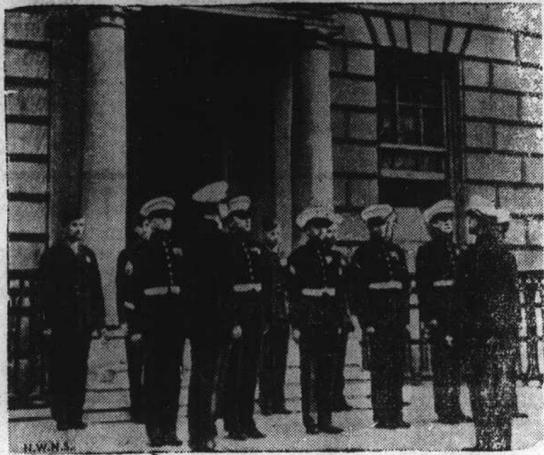
Jupiter Fluvius has been giving everyone in this section a full dose of rain for several days. It has rained for 18 days and within that time the rainfall has been more than 8 inches.

The constant falling of rain has made everyone feel like singing the old nursery rhyme, "Rain, Rain Go Away". Many point out that if it keeps up there will be another flood.

The rivers and smaller streams are swollen and much damage has been done to wheat, oats and other grain crops.

Many people, after studying their almanacs and signs, report that "dog days" or rain for forty days and nights, are now in full swing. Whatever the days are, sunshine would be welcome.

U. S. Marines on Guard in London



For the first time in history, U. S. marines line up in front of the embassy in London for inspection before mounting guard. In all, 63 officers and men, including 11 who were saved when the Dutch ship Maasdam was torpedoed, have been sent to London for fire warden duty.

Sportsmen Pass 8 Resolutions Meant To Conserve Game

RETIRED MINISTER



Dr. H. K. Boyer, of Charlotte, retired Methodist minister, who spends his summers in Sparta. Dr. Boyer is a native of Alleghany county and last week appeared as The News' "personality of the week."

Two Tried Here On Past Monday

Elmer Boyden Dunn, 25, and Isaac Watson Dunn, 21, who are brothers and residents of Mocksville, were tried here early Monday morning by Justice B. F. Wagoner following their arrest late Sunday afternoon.

Charged with drunk driving, the former was bound over to superior court. The latter, charged with public drunkenness and driving with improper brakes, was fined \$10 on the first count, \$5 on the second.

North Carolina ranked 24th among other states in wheat production in 1940 and 23rd in value of the crop.

Germans Continue To Make Serious Advances In Russia

No conclusive German victory is in sight yet, but the Germans are now making rapid progress towards Moscow, latest reports reveal.

The Red armies, however, are still intact and are fighting hard. As the fourth week of the war ends, Germany is still behind the schedule Hitler first predicted.

The Germans and Russians continue fierce fighting with both forces claiming success. The Germans are making advances at several points, several news sources report.

The Russians claimed yesterday, however, to have virtually annihilated advanced German motorized forces striking at Leningrad from the Pakov-Porkhov sector some 175 miles to the south

Club to Offer Recommendations to Game Commission At Next Meeting.

MET FRIDAY NIGHT

Forty-two sportsmen met here in the county office and assembly building last Friday night, enjoyed a fish dinner prepared and served by the Woman's club, and following a short period of discussion, which featured an address by Horton Doughton unanimously passed eight resolutions designed to substantiate the protection and development of wild life in Alleghany county and adjoining area during 1942.

Several sportsmen from neighboring towns came here for the meeting, including T. N. Woodruff, Joe Sailor, Charlie Haines and Leo Roberts, of Roaring Gap; Claude Doughton and Carlisle Ingle, of North Wilkesboro; W. L. Jackson, of Low Gap; and R. C. Crowder, of South Hill, Va. Friday night marked the first meeting of the club since last December.

Mr. Doughton, who is a new member of the state board of conservation and development, told the sportsmen that Alleghany is one of only five counties in the state "doing anything about the promotion, development and protection of its fish and wild game". He congratulated the club on its active organization.

Long an enthusiastic sportsman, Mr. Doughton outlined briefly a number of steps the new board is planning to take relative to the further improvement of hunting and fishing in the mountains during the coming year.

Resolutions, as passed by members of the club, are as follows: (1) That Little river be closed to all fishing—from Whitehead to the Virginia line—at the close of the present season, for one year. (2) That the hunting season in Alleghany county be opened when the state season opens (usually on Thanksgiving day) and be closed

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Farm Families Asked To Apply For Loans Now

Farmers May File Applications with FSA Office at Courthouse Here.

Qualified farmers in Alleghany county who at present do not own farms and who desire to apply for a loan to purchase a family size farm under provisions of the department of agriculture's tenant purchase program should file their applications now with the Farm Security administration, Robert W. Fleetwood, county FSA supervisor, said yesterday.

Seeking to give as many eligible farm families as possible an opportunity to own a farm of their own, the department of agriculture is accepting applications for loans which may be made any time between now and June 30, 1942.

Applications should be filed at once for loans to be made during the fiscal year, so that approved families will have sufficient time to select farms and make plans for the 1942 crop, the supervisor said.

Farm families who filed applications after July 1, 1940 for loans this year, but which were not approved because of lack of funds, will not have to file new applications. Mr. Fleetwood said that the county tenant purchase committee, composed of Charlie G. Collins, Dillon Edwards and Jess Moxley, will review these applications again and notify the families if additional information is needed.

The Bankhead-Jones farm tenant act passed by congress in 1937 authorized the Farm Security administration to make loans to capable tenant and farm laborer families to enable them to buy land of their own. These tenant purchase loans are large enough to cover the cost of a family-type farm and the expense of repairing old farm buildings or putting up new ones. Loans are made only to citizens of the United States, and preference is given to those who own the livestock and equipment to operate a farm.

Qualified applicants are recommended for loans by a committee of three local farmers in each county where the program is in operation. These committees certify to the secretary of agriculture the applicants whom they consider most deserving and best qualified to make a success of a family-type farm. The loans carry three per cent interest and may be repaid over a period of 40 years, although the borrower (Continued on Page Eight)

Prisoners Are Still At Large

Neither the escaped prisoners nor the thieves who released them from jail here on the night of July 6 have been apprehended by officers, according to the sheriff's office.

Keys to the jail were stolen from the desk of Sheriff DeWitt Bryan and the three prisoners turned out of their cells on the second floor of the courthouse. Thieves entered the sheriff's office after breaking the night latch on a window. Nothing else in the office was disturbed.

The prisoners were listed as Earl Dixon, of Edmonds, jailed on a charge of drunk driving; Bert Hendrix, of Hare, awaiting trial on a charge of drunkenness; and Bertha Atwood, of Sparta, awaiting trial on a charge of vagrancy.

Officers stated this week they have several clues, and are expecting to reclaim the escaped prisoners in a short while.

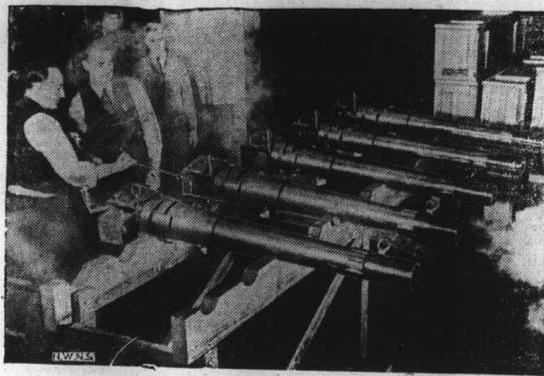
Baptists Prepare For Celebration

Plans are now well underway to hold the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the Laurel Springs Baptist church on July 27, a week from Sunday, it was announced this week.

Services are to be held in both the morning and afternoon. Dinner will be served on the church grounds. Dr. Walter N. Johnson will be featured speaker for the day.

Many former pastors, as well as former church members and friends of the church, are expected to attend.

Weapons For Uncle Sam's Army



75 MM. howitzers for the U. S. army are shown being tested in an Erie, Pa., manufacturing plant. These guns will hurl a 14-lb. projectile a distance of 95,000 feet and are rated with the highest striking power of any army gun for its weight.

A Field Man To Promote Dairying Is Assigned To Alleghany, Ashe & Watauga

HEROES HONORED



Mary Pickford and Gen. F. F. Howell, commander of United Confederate Veterans, break ground on Gettysburg battlefield for a memorial to Gen. James Longstreet, second in command to Gen. Lee at the famous battle.

Revival Meeting To Begin On Wed.

Beginning next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, a revival meeting will get underway at the Sparta Baptist church under the direction of Rev. V. W. Sears.

Assisting Mr. Sears in these meetings will be Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Miller, singers and personal workers. The general public is invited to attend each meeting.

The revival is scheduled to continue nightly for 10 days.

CRAB CREEK CEMETERY TO BE CLEANED ON THURSDAY

Next Thursday has been set aside as the day for cleaning up the Crab Creek cemetery, and all those who are interested in this work are urged to meet at the church at 8 o'clock a. m., bringing with them the appropriate tools needed to do the job. Providing Thursday is a rainy day, the work will be done on Friday, it was stated yesterday.

Bible Schools Concluded In Alleghany Baptist Churches

Bringing to an end the vacation Bible schools which have been offered by all the churches in the Alleghany Baptist association since the middle of May, commencement exercises for each of the schools were held in the various churches last week end.

The schools were taught by county pastors and church workers, together with representatives of the Baptist State convention. Enrollments were good and a great deal of interest was shown in the work, officials stated this week.

For the past three years each church in the association has had a Sunday school. This year every church has had a study course except one, and it is expected to have one before the next association convenes.

J. P. Ligon To Start Work This Week. Jefferson To Be Headquarters.

To help promote the dairy industry in Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga counties, one of North Carolina's leading dairy sections, the state extension service is assigning a full-time field representative to work with the farmers and milk purchasers in these three counties.

J. P. Ligon, who has been with the extension service as the leader in land-use planning, is expected to arrive in the Jeffersons today to take up his new duties, according to an announcement yesterday by J. A. Arey, extension dairy specialist at State college.

His salary and traveling expenses will be paid by the state and federal governments and he will make his headquarters in Jefferson, local leaders state.

Mr. Ligon will advise and work with farmers in the three counties in an effort to improve and expand dairying. His activities will include the promotion of production of better feeds, better breeds of animals, more silos and so on.

It is understood that Kraft Cheese company, Coble dairies, and Carnation Milk company, as well as the three farm agents departments, will co-operate with him to the fullest.

This dairy expansion work is being made possible by a special appropriation that was passed during the last session of legislature, and the assignment of Mr. Ligon here is the first step that has been taken in this connection in the state.

The new field representative was born and reared on a grade—(Continued on Page Eight)

DRIVING LICENSES TO BE ISSUED ON SAT. MORNING

State Patrolman Richard Griggs said yesterday that driving licenses will be issued here from now on each Saturday morning between 9 and 12 o'clock.

Those persons desiring licenses are advised to secure them from Patrolman Griggs' office in the courthouse here.

Northwestern Bank Directors Met Wednesday

Reports Showed Splendid Progress Was Being Made. Met In Sparta.

Directors of the Northwestern Bank held a meeting in the office and assembly building here Wednesday, routine business was transacted, and full reports made on each unit of the bank, up to July 1.

These meetings are held quarterly and are generally held at North Wilkesboro, but occasionally at other branches of the bank. The reports from the different units were very good, Gov. R. A. Doughton, who is president of the bank, declared.

Following are the directors who were present: R. A. Doughton, M. E. Reeves, D. C. and Edwin Duncan, of Sparta; J. T. Prevette, Ralph Duncan and N. B. Smithey, of North Wilkesboro; W. D. Farthing, W. B. Collins and W. W. Mast, of Boone; Harry Bailey, W. C. Berry and G. W. Greene, of Bakersville.

The following women, wives of directors or otherwise connected with the bank, were present for the meeting: Mrs. N. B. Smithey, Mrs. D. C. Duncan, Mrs. Edwin Duncan, Mrs. R. A. Doughton, Mrs. Clyde Harrington, Mrs. Ennice McMillan, Mrs. M. E. Reeves, Mrs. W. C. Berry, Mrs. W. B. Collins, Mrs. W. D. Farthing, Mrs. Alton Thompson, Mrs. Mamie Call and Mrs. W. W. Mast.

It was decided that the next meeting of the directors should be held at Bakersville at the call of the president sometime during October.

10 Trainees To Leave For Army

Men to Receive Final Instructions This Morning, Go to Fort Bragg.

Early this morning 10 selective service registrants from Alleghany county are expected to board a bus which will carry them to Fort Bragg for induction into the United States army.

Listed here are the names of the selectees who are expected to fill the current quota: Leff Joe Caudill, Joseph Talmage Smith and Gaither Lee Evans, of Sparta; Dent Bowie Pugh, Topia; Vincent Alexander Cox and Page Dennis Parsons, Piney Creek; George Ray Long, Citron; Kemp Hillery Caudill, Whitehead; Emmitt Ray Andrews, Ennice; and Charlie Leftwich Vernon, Stratford.

Parsons is the only volunteer listed, it was learned. James Reb Reeves, of Scottville, previously scheduled to go along with the above group, was deferred last week because of physical defects.

After this morning Alleghany county will have selected 41 registrants for the army, including volunteers, through the operation of the selective service military program.

NEW SERIAL STORY STARTS THIS WEEK

A thrilling new serial story, "The Road to Bagdad", by Geo. Gibbs, starts in this week's issue of The News.

You will enjoy this story. Be sure to read the first installment and every installment each week. Gibbs is an outstanding writer and this is his best production so far. Turn to page seven now.

JOE GIBBS



"JOE GIBBS SAYS: 'THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A MAN STANDING STILL AS THE YEARS GO BY... HE EITHER GOES FORWARD... OR BACKWARD...'"