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Canning Sugar Stamp Validated

Spare Stamp No. 9 Book 4 And Good Until Oct. 31; Bowles Is Honored

DATES WITH UNCLE SAM
Spare Stamp No. 9... good for 5 lbs. of sugar for Canning... expires Oct. 31, 1946.

Canning Sugar Stamp Validated
This year's home canners will not have to fill out application forms for canning sugar, OPA state director reminded Alabama housewives. OPA district offices, which now handle sugar rationing, are not equipped to process the millions of requests that would result if users were required to make formal application for canning sugar, as was formerly the case.

Canning sugar this season will be obtained through the use of spare stamps contained in Ration Book 4 or on the sugar ration sheet now being issued in lieu of a complete ration book, according to the OPA announcement.

First spare stamps to be used especially for canning sugar is No. 9, which became valid Monday, March 11, for five pounds and remains good through Oct. 31. This and another stamp to be validated sometime in June or July will provide this year's allocation for home canning sugar.

Price Controls Lifted
On Group of Items
Lifting of price controls on pianos and other musical instruments, a variety of sports clothing, and some kitchen items has been announced by OPA. At the same time, OPA announced that photograph records and all types of electric lamp bulbs have been suspended from price control.

On these price controls are suspended rather than exempted, the district office explained, so that if unwarrented price increases result, controls may be re-established immediately.

Born Honored
By Farm Group
Now exerting a tighter grip on the anti-inflation reins as the nation's economic stabilizer, Chester Bowles has been honored with an award by the National Farmers' Union for the most outstanding service to agriculture in 1945, the Reporter was informed.

ROGER AUTREY FOUND DEAD IN SMALL CREEK

Chattanooga—A man found dead in a small creek south of here Monday was identified as Roger W. Autrey, civil engineer of Sheffield, Ala.

The identification was established, funeral home attendants said, by a telephone description to his mother, Mrs. James Bore, and by J. Irvine, a former Chattanooga policeman, who knew Autrey.

There were no valuables on the body when it was discovered by passersby, leading state highway patrol investigators to believe the man may have been robbed. There were several bruises on the body.

Autrey, a World War II veteran, was a student at the U. S. Military Academy several years ago and was graduated from Georgia Tech.

Sgt. Hugher Baker of the state patrol said the identification of the man was "positive" and that death apparently was due from drowning.

GEORGE NEIMAN

George Theodore Neiman, aged 70, of 2507 15th avenue, Sheffield, died Sunday afternoon at Colbert County hospital after an illness of several months.

Deceased was born in this city and worked as an engineer and fireman on the Southern railway for a number of years, retiring several years ago. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic church, Sheffield, and for some time had made his home with his sister, Mrs. Albert Macchitt, Sheffield.

Surviving in addition to his sister are several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning from St. Joseph's Catholic church, Sheffield, with Father Osmond, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Oakwood cemetery, Sheffield. Brown-Service directing.

Pallbearers were Charlie Peters, Arthur Dilahunty, Terry Murdoch, H. D. Kennamer, Tony Malaspina and Charlie Manush.

EDITORIAL GRIST

THE LIQUOR REFERENDUM

Next Tuesday the voters of Colbert county go to the polls to cast their ballots for against the legal sale of liquor.

The only question we see in the argument is that it is one of legal or illegal sale, sold under the jurisdiction of the state and city officials, which should insure that there will be no abuse of the privilege.

City officials of Tusculum and Sheffield have promised that they will issue no liquor license to any person within the city limits of either town, and that the sale of beer will be held within the fire limits. And not like some others, we have not entirely lost confidence in our public officials, and believe they will do what they promise.

Our considered opinion is that a liquor store, properly conducted, is preferable to what we now have, and we believe liquor can be handled in the open better than in blind alleys or dark streets.

On taking this position we are offering no defense for liquor, because it cannot be defended, but we do believe it can be controlled officially better than when sold under cover.

WITHOLDING MEN'S SUITS

Retail clothing merchants complain that manufacturers are holding men's suits from the market in the expectation that price adjustments may enable them to make greater profits upon their goods.

"There is withholding in considerable volume," declares Louis Rotheheld, an official of the National Association of Retail Clothiers, who believes that manufacturers will continue to hold suits in inventory until prices are revised or the prospect of any increase disappears.

The withholding of manufactured goods from the market, in anticipation of expected price increases, has been the practice of the makers of goods of all kinds for many years. In normal times, the practice represents the normal operation of business judgment but, with thousands of servicemen unable to obtain clothes, the situation is not normal.

If the withholding practice continues to increase, it may become necessary for congress to take some action in the public interest. Possibly the best way to persuade the manufacturers to turn loose their excessive inventories is to promptly make it plain that the price is to continue and that prices will not be allowed to rise.

HOUSING NEED GROWING

The house situation in Tusculum and other places throughout the United States is not improving fast. Despite the announcement from Washington sometime ago of a program to construct 2,600,000 new homes in two years, there seems to be some delay in getting action.

Housing administrator Wilson Wyatt complains of the activities of a lobby, which, he says, is battling vital phases of the program and seeking, by pressure upon congressmen, to have "price ceilings raised all over the lot."

While both branches of congress are wrestling with the details of housing legislation, there is some danger that the measure will not go far enough to curb speculation, or limit price and rent increases. In nearly every community in the nation, families without homes are having a difficult time finding a place to live.

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE HAS 300 VETERANS HOUSES

State Teachers college at Florence will have housing facilities for 300 veterans. The second units sufficient to house 250 has just been approved by the Federal Housing Authority of Atlanta and supplements the 50 units previously approved.

This will do much to alleviate the acute housing shortage which is affecting veterans who wish to enter college. President J. A. Keller states, "The housing of the veterans on the Florence campus will be used to accommodate both married and single veterans."

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

D. W. Edwards, minister of the First Baptist church, 10 a.m. Classes for all ages. A well supervised nursery during the Sunday school and worship hours. John A. Richardson, superintendent of the church worship, 11 a.m. Sermon topic: "To Him That Hath Shall Be Given." Training Union, 6 p.m. Adult, intermediate and junior unions. W. G. Wilson, director. Evening worship 7 p.m. Sermon topic: "Why Do We Suffer?" A cordial welcome to all who wish to worship with us. Choir practice, Tuesday 7 p.m. The hour of prayer and praise, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

\$9,000 SCHOLARSHIP IS WON

BY ALETHA MITCHELL
Miss Aletha Mitchell, daughter of the late Col. and Mrs. American Mitchell and granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson, prominent residents of this city for many years, has won a \$9,000 scholarship to Agnes Scott college at Decatur, Ga., being one of the 12 finalists in another scholarship contest, friends here have been informed.

Miss Mitchell, who is 18, is a senior at Lausanne school, and has been making her home for some time with her uncle, James Jackson, in Memphis, Tenn. Her mother, Mrs. Charlie Jackson Mitchell, was graduate of Agnes Scott college, which her daughter expects to attend.

MRS. FRANCES HENSON

Mrs. Frances Henson, 81, died this week at the residence on route 3, after being ill a month.

Deceased was born in Franklin county and had made her home in Franklin and Colbert counties all her life. She was a member of the Colbert Heights Baptist church.

Surviving are three daughters: Miss Mattie Henson, Mrs. W. J. Hillburn, both of Tusculum, route 3; Mrs. W. A. McNally, Tusculum; three sons, D. B. and T. B., Tusculum, route 3; Tracy Tusculum, a brother, Jim Hall, Russellville, route 2; 28 grand children and a number of great-grandchildren.

News From Our Folks In Service

W. J. Walker, seaman 2/c, 311 W. Third street, Tusculum, Ala., served aboard the USS Croley, troop-carrying destroyer on patrol in the Pacific.

Veteran of the Okinawa invasion and the initial occupation of Korea, the Croley recently carried 6 tons of Chinese currency from the Central Bank of China to Tientsin.

PLANS FOR RECREATION GROUNDS BEING PERFECTED

Definite plans to begin its program on a \$6,000 basis as previously planned despite the fact that only \$4,500 is now on hand, were made at a meeting of the local Park and Recreation Board Monday night at the office of the city superintendent of education, W. R. Norwood, member of the board, reported.

Mr. Norwood stated that it is assumed that the remaining \$1,500 to carry out the proposed budget will be obtained in the near future.

Plans made include operation of two outdoor playgrounds, one to be located at Gilbert field and the other proposed to be set up at Deshler High stadium. Mr. Norwood said, adding that plans are being made with the electricity department for lighting the playgrounds at night.

Coach John Sparks—Deshler High athletic instructor, will be in charge of the entire program. Also will be Miss Mary D. Jones, Deshler High physical education instructor, and Miss Rosa Adair Brown, Deshler band leader, Coach Sparks and Miss Brown will be paid from the allotted fund, not requiring additional funds from the city, reports said.

Merchants of Tusculum are buying uniforms for the boys' baseball team. Plans include a softball team for girls. Both teams are planning to meet out-of-town competition during the summer.

The program being inaugurated is planned for the interest of both old and young. Mr. Norwood said.

COLBERT BIRTHS FOR FEBRUARY ARE REGISTERED

The following births were reported to the Colbert County health department by registrars of vital statistics during the month of February: Was your child's birth reported? If not call the health department, phone 124.

White: Arnold and Valeria Sibley, daughter, Janet Elaine; Elmer and Bertha Mitchell, daughter, Barbara Lucille; William and Elena McGuey, daughter, Betty Sue; Floyd and Amanda McWilliams, daughter, Judith Lovelace; Wilbert and Stella Beard, daughter, Sandra Lorine; James and Myrtle McKinney, daughter, Margaret Arlene; Albert and Maie Grisham, son, Charles Houston; Allen and Susan Cook, son, Jerry Leon.

Colored: Robert and Lucile Wenden, daughter, Thelma Lucile; John and Thelma Harris, son, Julius; George and Am Ross, daughter, Sarah Jeanette; Edgar and Earline Ricks, son, Nathaniel Earl; and Lou Nelson, son, William Meredith; James and Mary Goodloe, daughter, Viralia; David and Willie Coleough, daughter, Daisy Diane; Faskel and Sadie Acklin, daughter, Mary Virginia; George and Dorothy Davis, daughter, Mattie Lee; John and Katie Gipson, son, John Weston; Joe and Celia Short, a daughter, Margaret Ann.

FRANK MURPHY HELD ON MURDER CHARGE

Frank Murphy, negro, is being held in the Colbert county jail charged with first degree murder after the death of Nelson Friday, another negro, who died Saturday afternoon at Colbert County hospital of wounds received when struck across the head by a two-by-four plank by Murphy at 1 p.m. at Robbins Tire & Rubber Co., attaches of the Colbert county sheriff's office reported.

Murphy claims that Scruggs took some money from him and was trying to collect, reports from the sheriff's office said.

The arrest was made by Sheriff O. H. McRight and Deputy Lonnie Newton.

W.S. OF C.S. MET Monday Afternoon In Circles

The W.S. of C.S. of the First Methodist church met Monday afternoon in circles as follows:

Circle 1 at the home of Mrs. Sam Moore, Mrs. Edwin Matthews, leader. Hostesses were Mrs. Jennie Schmidt, Mrs. J. C. Kiser and Mrs. W. A. Wood.

Circle 2 met at the home of Mrs. E. E. Hyde, Mrs. Tom Tanner, leader. Circle 3 met with Mrs. William Halsey, leader. Hostesses were Mrs. Halsey and Miss Hattie Tompkins.

Circle 4 met at the home of Mrs. Charles Porter with Mrs. O. C. Martin, leader. Hostesses were Mrs. Porter and Mrs. George Schmidt.

Double Wedding Scheduled on Sunday At Cherokee

In a simple but impressive double ceremony Miss Peggy Hurd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Hurd, Rivermont Rose Trail, Cherokee, became the bride of Roy Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Daniel of Allsboro, and Miss Norma Louise Thornton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Thornton of Cherokee, was wed to Robert Harland Blankenship, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blankenship of Barton, on Sunday, March 3.

The ceremony took place at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thornton with Rev. B. Guy Smith, pastor of the Cherokee Methodist church, and Rev. E. L. Melvin, pastor of the Margerum Methodist church, officiating in the presence of only close relatives of the couples.

Axis Is Hoping To Split U. S.

Fascists And Jap Militarists Spread Propaganda To Add Fuel To Flames

Shanghai—With relations between Russia and America strained over Soviet actions in Manchuria, former fascist enemies of both are engaged in adding fuel to the flames in China, and little is being done to curb their activities.

Jap militarists and Nazi gestapo and espionage agents are basing their hopes for a comeback on a split among the Allies. A three-weeks' investigation of undercover fascist activities in China has produced evidence of their attempts to widen the breach and of complete failure on the part of the Chinese authorities to control them.

At a meeting of Japanese Civilian Self-Government Association, Jap militarists made these false statements: (1) The United States and Russia had declared war on each other; (2) that Gen. MacArthur had ordered Jap military forces to be reamed, and (3) repatriation of all Japs from China to be suspended.

At the same time a former Jap army general was widely reported to have "issued an order" in a war prisoners' camp that repatriation of Jap military forces immediately be stopped.

Informed of these Jap-inspired reports, Lt. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer, China theater commander, said: "They are scoundrels and designed to create friction and suspicion. They serve no purpose except to make trouble."

He continued: "No Jap general has any authority or power to issue orders in this theater except in consonance with orders which are issued to him by proper Allied authorities." Repatriation of Japs, he added, will continue at an increasing rate.

Jap underground organizations, some disguised as "cultural" societies, are engaged in pushing the line—Anti-for-Asiaties propaganda line—and are endeavoring to create a chance to capitalize on the differences between Russia and America.

Supplies of barbed and woven wire fencing this year are expected to be larger than in the past two years, and by the middle of the year there should be adequate supplies of nails, staples and bale ties.

Alabama dairymen should raise at least three heifer calves each year for each ten cows in the herd. This allows for some increase in herd size and permits selection of the heifers raised.

MOVIE PROGRAM

STRAND—Tusculum Sat., March 16
TUSCON RAIDERS—with Wild Bill Elliott
Sun.-Mon., March 17-18
Double Feature
THE FALCON IN SAN FRANCISCO—CO with Tom Conway.
Also
THE WAY AHEAD—with David Niven.
Tues.-Wed., March 19-20
THE SPANISH MAIN—in technical color, with Paul Henreid, Maureen O'Hara.
Thurs.-Fri., March 21-22
ABBOTT AND COSTELLO IN HOLLYWOOD
Also
COLBERT—Sheffield Sat., March 16
STRANGE AFFAIR—with Ailyn Joslyn, Evelyn Keyes, Marguerite Chapman.
Sun.-Mon., March 17-18
OVER 21—with Irene Dunne, Alexander Knox, Charles Coburn.
Tues.-Wed., March 19-20
ABBOTT AND COSTELLO IN HOLLYWOOD
Thurs.-Fri., March 21-22
THE SPANISH MAIN—in technical color, with Paul Henreid, Maureen O'Hara.
Also
RITZ—Sheffield ARSENIC AND OLD LACE—with Cary Grant, Priscilla Lane.
Mon.-Tues., March 18-19
Double Feature
MADE FOR EACH OTHER—with James Stewart, Carole Lombard.
Also
OUT OF THIS WORLD—with Veronica Lake, Eddie Rader, Diana Lynn.
Wed.-Thurs., March 20-21
HOLLYWOOD GANTEEN—with Joan Leslie, Robert Thurman.
Fri.-Sat., March 22-23
SILVER CITY KID—with Allan Lane. Also last chapter of "The Master Key" and first of "Zorro's Black Whip."