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2 To Four Years Training At FSTC

North-west Alabama boys are now able to get two years or four years of Army training at the State Teachers College at Florence. Reserve Officers Training Corps Unit was activated there on July 1.

In discussing the unit Capt. L. B. Swortwood states that the general objective of the course of instruction is to produce junior officers with qualities and attributes essential to their progressive and continued development in the Officers Reserve Corps in the United States Army.

The complete course of instruction comprises four years, with 96 hours of instruction in each year of the elementary course; 160 hours in each year of the advanced course.

The Senior Division ROTC program at Florence consists of a two-year elementary course, with a minimum of three hours a week of formal instruction, applicable to the Army as a whole and not specialized by armed or major forces, but is compulsory for all physically fit, non-veteran students. The advanced course consists of a minimum of five hours a week of formal military instruction, principally of the specialized type applicable to the Military Police Corps. All students in the Senior ROTC division may be volunteers. These students are exempt from registration, induction, training or service, under the Act of 1940. Formally enrolled elementary students are not exempt.

Outdoor instruction will be included as part of the course and will include drill, ground and field work. Capt. G. A. Glock is property custodian officer with the responsibility of caring for the thousands of dollars worth of equipment used by ROTC students. Students will be furnished clothing and individual equipment including manuals and textbooks at government expense, as a loan until training is completed.

Formerly enrolled students of the advanced course will be paid a monetary allowance monthly in lieu of the subsistence as a daily rate specified by the Department of the Army for a total period not in excess of 90 days in the care of any student.

The military personnel assigned to Headquarters ROTC Unit here includes: Colonel Harry B. Emigh, PMS&T; Captain Louis B. Swortwood, Assistant PMS&T; M-Sgt. James H. Fitz, M-Sgt. Fred W. Sargent; S-Sgt. James R. Nichols, T-Sgt. Herbert L. Forsythe, S-Sgt. Raymond Lampf, Assistant Instructors.

YOUNG MENS CLUB INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

The Young Men's club met Monday night at Community Center and installed the new officers for the coming year.

Those taking office were: Zollie Reed, Jr., president; Billy Castleberry, vice president; Glenn H. Ward, secretary; James Sharp, re-elected treasurer; and Billy Whright, director-at-large.

The new committees for the Young Men's Club will be announced at a later date.

EGGS KEPT COLD AND COVERED STAY FRESH

Eggs need to be kept both cold and covered if they are to keep fresh and in the best condition for eating.

An API extension food preservation specialist urges that eggs be gathered and immediately placed in a refrigerator or other cold place and kept there until used.

Experiments show that at ordinary room temperature, eggs lose as much freshness in three days as they do in the refrigerator in two weeks.

When eggs are stored in the refrigerator they should be covered for two reasons: To keep them from losing moisture through the porous shell, and to protect them from absorbing odors or off-flavors. Instead of keeping them in an open bowl in the refrigerator, put them in a covered dish or one of the closed vegetable containers.

Another tip given is not to wash eggs just before using them. The thin film which helps prevent germs dull bloom on the shells is a protective and odorless coating of the egg through pores of the shell.

New controlled methods of high temperature egg washing have been developed. It is best to store eggs to be washed at around 50 degrees so they will not sweat when taken from the cool room.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

As Recorded in the Files of The Colbert County Reporter of This Date

The Tennessee Valley Bank opens its handsome new building in Russellville, with this personnel: J. C. Carter, Walter Denton, Harry Sevier, U. O. Miller; officers of the bank include Clyde Hendrix, president; W. W. Fussell, vice-president; J. C. White, cashier; S. A. Lynne, attorney and chairman of the board; Mrs. Braxton Ashe entertains for Miss Martha Malloy of Annonis, and Mrs. Wallace Porter of Florence. Miss Eula Reed returns from a visit to Birmingham. Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Braden return from Hot Springs. Mrs. Madge Harris Smith, of Columbia, S.C., is a guest of the parents, Mrs. George Harris. Mrs. H. T. Kalt tends a party to Miss Louise Hutchinson, of St. Louis, who is the guest of Mrs. R. E. Thompson. Mrs. Kate Delony is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Martin, in Memphis. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palmer have come to Tusculumbia to reside and have an apartment with Mrs. Orlando Halsey. Capt. Felix E. Throckmold is in Annonis attending an officers training school. J. C. Cooper has returned from Memphis. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen return from Greensboro, N.C. Mesdames Wilkie and Bigbee and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Morris return from Decatur. Mrs. Clay Frazier and Miss Rebecca Huston, waiting Mrs. John Walker in Jackson, Tenn. Mrs. A. J. Cotten has returned from a visit to her daughter in New Orleans. Mrs. Chas. Carmichael has returned from a visit to her cousin, Mrs. Moody, in Russellville. Miss Annie Lee Harris returns from a visit to Mrs. Arthur Emens in Trinity. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Karan and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Reed were Birmingham visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beck are visiting in Chicago. Miss Lucy Gilmore is visiting Mrs. H. A. Porterfield in Birmingham. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hindman and son, James, return to their home in Eldorado, Ark. J. E. Delony Jr. returns from business trip to Talladeega. Miss Mabel Huston McFall and Miss Annie Barton McFall of Columbia, Tenn., are guests of their aunt, Mrs. Frank Scroggs.

100 YEARS RAILROAD HISTORY IS DEPICTED IN CHICAGO PAGEANT

CHICAGO—The Chicago Railroad Fair, a half display of transportation covering an area along a mile of Lake Michigan Shore, opened Tuesday in the Nation's biggest rail center.

The exposition sponsored by 38 of the nation's carriers, commemorates the 100th anniversary of the first steam train from Chicago. It also marks the centennial of the joining by rail of the East and West.

Exhibits depicting the growth of the railroad industry in 100 years, pageants and special side shows are part of the fair. Sponsors describe their part as the biggest show ever produced by any industry and as a miniature world's fair. Companies that service and supply the carriers also are participating in the fair.

The fair grounds, about one-fourth the size of those used for a Century of Progress in 1933 and 1934, extended along the Lake Shore from 20th to 30th Street South.

SHEFFIELD POSTMASTER'S SOS GETS LAD BOY DUCK

That SOS sent out by Postmaster Jeff Blake for a "boy duck" was answered by W. M. Glover, Sheffield, salesman for Gulf Refining Co., who found the duck in Hatton, Ala. It is allegedly a boy duck, but ducks aren't guaranteed, Mr. Glover states.

Anyway, Bob Blake, 6, who brought all this upon the postmaster, is satisfied with the pretty black duck with gold spots on his neck sleeping in a cage and expected one of Postmaster Blake's hens to hatch. But being layers, they didn't co-operate. Seeing Bob was convinced that this duck matter was a part of his official duty, Mr. Blake offered to find one already hatched. Then—the SOS.

Toss ingredients for a salad bowl lightly, but thoroughly, so that each leaf and each ingredient is coated with dressing before the salad is served.

EDITORIAL GRIST

The Undemocratic Florence Times

The Florence Times has demonstrated that it is no longer Democratic. After entering the May 4th primary of the Democratic Party in Alabama and blowing its horn to the limit of its ability for delegates and electors it favored, the Times encountered a stinging defeat, but instead of keeping its primary pledge to support the nominees of the Democratic Party in Alabama this paper now bolts the party and renders the state a disservice by an amazing misstatement of fact.

The Times refers to the leaders in the Southern revolt as broken down politicians and personates Horace Wilkinson and Gessner T. McCorvey. Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. McCorvey instead of being broken down politicians were nominated by the Democrats of Alabama as presidential electors over the bitter opposition of the Times. Governor Thurmond and Governor Wright are far from being broken down politicians. Their record is far superior to the record of Harry S. Truman.

The Times complains that when Alabama Democrats march to the polls next November they cannot vote for Truman for President of the United States. A complete answer to that silly statement is that Mr. Truman was represented in the Democratic primary of May 4th. To begin with there were probably not eleven people in Alabama who favored the nomination of Mr. Truman. At least we have never been able to discover more than nine. Senator Sparkman and Senator Hill announced their support of Mr. Truman and the roar of disapproval was so terrific that they speedily changed their position and declared that he should withdraw. That left Bart Cowart of Winston county and his six associate candidates for electors who publicly announced that they would support Truman if he was nominated. The electors gentlemen who were nominated publicly announced they would never vote for Truman. The Democrats passed on all the candidates in a free and untrammelled primary. The candidates who advocated supporting Truman if he was a nominee were snowed under an avalanche of votes. No candidate who intimated that he would support Truman if Truman was the nominee even came in sight of a run-off.

Instead of abiding the results of the primary and supporting the nominees of the party as the editor of the Times promised to do, the Times now welters on its primary pledge and abuses the Democrats of Alabama by accusing them of a terrific blunder because they will not bow the knee to Harry S. Truman.

Those who believe in the principles of majority rule and fair play would perhaps be expecting too much to hope that the Times would abide its primary pledge. Its pledge was a mere scrap of paper.

The Times should support Henry Wallace where its editor clearly indicates its heart is. The Democratic Party in Alabama will survive without members like the Florence Times and the Tri-Cities Daily.

REPUTATION OF A RESCUER

Even if the civil rights plank of the Democratic platform had been acceptable to the rank and file of Southerners, the recommendation for repeal of the Taft-Hartley labor control law would have alienated literally thousands of voters in this section.

Most Southerners, we are confident, regard the Taft-Hartley law as a desirable curb upon exploiters of organized labor, and this attitude is strengthened by the fact that the Truman administration has fallen back upon this legislation in at least four instances when major strike problems developed.

After having resorted to the Taft-Hartley law to solve major problems of the present administration, it is the height of folly for the Democratic party to attempt to repudiate the means by which it has been rescued from seemingly insolvable problems.—Selma Times Journal.

"AS GRAVE . . . AS MUNICH"

Winston Churchill, war leader of Great Britain and present head of the opposition party, recently pledged the support of the Conservative Party to the Labor Government in the crisis between the Western power and the Soviet Union over Berlin.

Mr. Churchill declared that the issues are "as grave as those we now know were at stake at Munich ten years ago," and that "there can be no doubt that the Communist government of Russia has made up its mind to drive us and France and all the other Allies out and turn the Russian zone in Germany into one of its satellite states under the rule of totalitarian terrorism."

The war leader pointed out that the democracies should have learned by now that there is no safety "in yielding to dictators—whether Nazi or Communist." He urged a "firm and resolute course" as "not only the best but the only" chance of preventing a third world war. He pledged to the Labor Government his full support "in the stand which, with all their devotion to the cause of peace, they have felt bound to make."

Report: So far, we have observed no lightning of our work due to the discovery of the atomic bomb.

Summer came in on June 21st and up to the moment of writing, nobody has successfully denied the fact.

The Russians, it seems, expect the Anglo-American soldiers to stand aside and let them take Berlin again.

All the economic experts offer the farmers of the nation advice but not many of the bright boys go into farming.

The man from Mars, if he reaches the U.S.A. during a presidential campaign, would think that all men were liars.

Who can remember the old days when a long-distance phone call, or a telegram, was an omen of disaster or death?

Thomas Jefferson is one American whose words and works bear close study by those who belong to no privileged group.

GETS MEDAL IN SERVICE

Robert L. Frost, electricians mate, second class, USNR, son of Ralph L. Frost of Route 1, Tusculumbia, Ala. has been presented the American and Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medals for service in Navy campaigns in one or more of the three theaters of war. He received the medals from Eighth

COLBERT COUNTY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS HOLD MEETING

The Colbert County School principals held the first meeting of the year on Wednesday morning, July 14th. This meeting was held in the club room of the Community Center in Tusculumbia. Bowls of summer flowers were attractively arranged and coca colas were served during the morning. In the informal setting, J. T. Bozeman, superintendent, discussed plans for the new year which begins July 26th for a divided term.

Mr. Bozeman expressed appreciation for the work done in the past in the county schools and welcomed the following new principals who will serve this year: A. Y. Sibley of Sheffield at Leighton Elementary School, J. Y. Moultrie of Russellville, at Spring Hill, County Head of Bridgeport, W. H. Bozeman of Wade Hester of Red Bay at Cherokee Vocational High School, John Burns of Maud, at Margerum, William C. Young of Orlando, Florida, at Barton and Ray Wagon of Tusculumbia at Littleville. These seven new principals are all outstanding leaders in school administration and come well recommended to Colbert County.

Other principals who will continue to serve are Hubert Thorn, Allshofo, Mrs. F. D. Johnson, Bear Creek, Mrs. Hazel Ashmore, Brick, G. W. Perkins, Cherokee Elementary, W. M. Goodwin, Colbert Heights, A. E. Murphree, Crooked Oaks, Mrs. W. M. Goodwin, Mrs. Sue Carter, Hatton, Miss Lucile McBride, Howell-Garces, Aaron Pounders, LaGrange, Miss Norma Deane Steele, Lime Rock, Mrs. Lenice Norman, Midway, J. T. Mays, New Bethel, Mrs. Van McGavock, Priddy, Silas Brown, Rock Creek, and Miss Helen Figures, Valdosta.

Oscar U. Fowler, custodian of funds, made a short talk concerning records and reports and Miss Frances Shaw, supervisor of instruction, spoke briefly on the characteristics of a good school.

The principals discussed organizing into an association with regularly scheduled meetings and it was unanimously decided that such an organization would be beneficial to the rural schools. The next principals meeting will be held in August.

FOREST FIRE STOPPED

A crew organized by E. P. Garrett, Sr. lead veteran agriculture teacher for Colbert County, suppressed a fire on Hawk Pride Mountain recently. The fire burned 300 acres as a result of their prompt action. It did a fine job in controlling this fire which could have burned a large area. The men who assisted him were E. P. Garrett, Jr., C. C. Alexander, Fred Hester, Nelson Hester, Edward Hester, Bev Lindsey and son all of Tusculumbia. The Fire Warden arrived at fire just as it was controlled.—Contributed.

Removing the excess fat in the meat drippings will assure good gravy.

MOVIE PROGRAM

STRAND—Tusculumbia Saturday, July 24 SOUTH OF THE CHISHOLM TRAIL—with Charles Starrett. Sunday, July 25 MONSIEUR VERDOUX—with Charlie Chaplin, Marjorie Raye. Monday, July 26 DANGEROUS YEARS—with William Halop, Ann Todd. Tuesday-Friday, July 27-28 SIVER RIVER—with Errol Flynn, Ann Sheridan. Thursday, July 29 BLONDIE'S REWIND—with Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake. Friday, July 30 JUNGLE PRINCESS—with Dorothy Lamour, Ray Milland.

COLBERT—SHEFFIELD

Monday, July 24 DRIFTWOOD—with Ruth Warwick, Walter Brennan, Dean Jagger. Sunday-Monday, July 25-26 MARY LOU—Robert Lowery, Frankie Carle and his orchestra. Tuesday-Wednesday, July 27-28 DEEP ALLEY—with Ida Lupino, Dane Clark. Thursday-Friday, July 29-30 SILVER RIVER—with Errol Flynn, Ann Sheridan.

RITZ—Sheffield

Sunday, July 25 BULLDOG—with BOB STRIKES BACK—with Rod Randall. Monday-Tuesday, July 26-27 MARY LOU—Robert Lowery. WAY OUT WEST—with Laurel & Hardy. Also NIGHTMARE—LLEY—with Tyne Power. Wednesday-Thursday, July 28-29 SOUTH OF TAHITI—with Maria Montez, Brian Donlevy. Friday-Saturday, July 30-31 IN OLD SANTA FE—with Ken Maynard.

Civil Rights May Be A 'Hot Potato'

WASHINGTON—A top senate republican leader hinted Tuesday that a negative vote on Tuesday, the civil rights bill, might be brought into the lap of congress as soon as it meets Monday.

Senator Wherry (R-Neb.), acting majority floor leader, told reporters "the only legislation in the President's program that I know of that is ready is these civil rights bills." He said anything else would take time for processing by committees.

In calling the legislators back to work, President Truman placed anti-inflation and housing bills at the top of a long list of measures he thinks congress should deal with promptly.

Tuesday, Mr. Truman added these two items to recommendations he will make to congress: (1) senate ratification of the international wheat agreement; (2) congressional approval of a \$65,000,000 loan for erection of permanent United Nations headquarters.

Wherry also said that Herbert E. Brownell, campaign manager for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, has arrived in Washington to set up headquarters for the republican Presidential nominee. Wherry expects to confer with Brownell soon.

Wherry Dewey has said the New York Governor has no plans to come to Washington either before or during the session of congress. Senate and house leaders will meet informally Monday morning, Wherry said. The senate republican policy committee, headed by Senator Taft (R-Ohio), will meet Monday afternoon to talk over senate plans.

Asked about probable duration of the session, Wherry said: "The president is a little over-optimistic when he says congress can accomplish his program in fifteen days. Once the congress is convened any legislation that is on the calendar or that might be brought out of committee is subject to motion to take it up. When you once open up the book, the door is wide open. We might be here for days, weeks, or we might be here for some time."

Mr. Truman of the congressional reorganization act by his recall of congress.

He referred to a section of the act which says that unless the nation is at war, or the Chief Executive has proclaimed a national emergency, congress must adjourn by July 31 of each year, unless it provides otherwise.

"He has not proclaimed any emergency since June 20 (when the last session adjourned)," Wherry said. "Calling us back to consider such legislation as civil rights isn't a national emergency."

He predicted congress will meet briefly on Monday and then adjourn to await the President's message before taking any official action.

THURMOND SPURNS GERALD SMITH AID

Gov. J. Strom Thurmond, endorsed by Southern Democrats for President spurned the support of Gerald L. K. Smith.

"We do not invite, and we do not need, the support of Smith or any other rabble-rousers who use race prejudice and class hatred to inflame the emotions of the people," the South Carolina chief executive told the United Press on his return to Columbia Monday morning.

Smith, director of the Christian Nationalists Crusade, read of Thurmond's blast in an earlier edition of The Post and returned to Birmingham to accuse the presidential candidate of "immaturity" and lack of foresight.

"I am rather shocked to observe that Governor Thurmond falls to recognize the harm in an earlier edition of The Post," Smith said. "Take the Negro question out of the revolt and Thurmond won't get 16 votes."

Thurmond's statement followed Smith's endorsement of the States' Rights program and ticket in which the Christian Nationalist Crusader said he had attended the Saturday convention in Birmingham as a delegate from Oklahoma.

The governor said the Southern fight is not a race fight but an effort to protect the principle of states' rights. Thurmond said he was "deeply concerned over the effort of opposing groups to smear our efforts with the false trappings of race hatred."