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THOMAS L. LOWE PASSES SUDDENLY AT BANNER ELK

Thomas L. Lowe, one of Avery citizens, died suddenly at the postoffice in his home town of Banner Elk last Friday evening. He had just returned from Vewland where he I won't say it until the right time, had a busy day; went to the office for his mail when the summons came comes and it will not take me long then a flash. He fell to the floor then," said Herbert S. Wegner, Wn aid could arrive.

Interment was made in the cemerelatives and friends.

esteem by his fellowmen, a bright lawyer, a respected citizen and will be greatly missed in his town and county. A widow and one daughter

W. R. Lovift, of Boone, close personal friend of Mr. Love, paid the following iribate on learning of Mr. Daily News reporter to the cell cor-Lowe's death:

Supreme Arbiter of all things.

come to him was a change from lives and Wagner's freedom. mortality to immortality

try. He practiced at North Wilkes- ery case has two sides, and, although boro, Boone, Elk Park and for the this shooting at first eight appears to dast 25 years in Banner Elk

He was about 65 years old.

MORE THAN 1,500 MET VIOLENT

Rateigh, Jan. 2 - Violent deaths in 3.500

11 months of the year. This number the cellar of his jacket, but it is there. does not include deaths from the violent ferra; of di ease

months to be added.

The first eleven months of 1926 saw 245 Tar licels burned to death. December was expected to run the racid from this cause.

Homicides showed a slight des bad imbibed.

THE COMMUNITY CHEST

year ago a movement was started by twice more, and both of these shots the Ministerial Association to initiate also took effect. into this community a community the different churches were made of witnesses, and was walking along trustees of this fund. We are glad a when he met Byrd. to report that this committee, now composed of J. L. Qualls, F. N. Byrd is said to have asked. Hahn, W. H. Gragg, J. M. Moretz " --- you, I'll shoot you, and O. L. Coffey, has been very faith. too, Wagner is alleged to have reful in this service, and will continue plied, and with that, the witnesses to serve the community for the new say, he shot Byrd three times, and year.

Byrd fell fatally wounded."

Any worthy cause of charity in the The accused slayer read that porthis committee, and this committee, ly-

on disburyements for charity. If you have not subscribed to the the reply of the reporter. community chest fund, do so at once. Wagner grunted, and then con-Ministerial Association.

Wagner Says He Will Talk When Time Comes

county's foremost attorneys, and best Slayer Talls Newspaper Mar He May Have Something To Say Later, But at Present is Silent as Clam

and breathed his last before medical tauga county man being held for safe keeping in the Golford county jail for the slaying of Eart Moody and tery at Banner Elk Sunday in the Dester Byrd at Foscoe, near Boone, presence of a large concourse of to Greensboro News reporter last briday, shortly before he was retentiary at Raleigh. The News conaldy between 25 m d 28 years old, along nicely

Sherrif Stafford accompanied the ridor where Wagner is given the run T. L. Lowe was one of the ablest of the space along with several other lawyers in the mountain country-a white per oners where are awaiting wise and conservative counselor, a trul of Guilford superior court datgood neighbor, a faithful and true ing January or who are serving senfriend, an ideal citizen and an hon- tences imposed during the December est man. He recognized God as the 6 term of federal court. The prisoner was attired for cold weather. "Banner Elk has suffered a great with a heavy lumberman's jacket, lose in his death. The mountain knee high boots and riding trousers. country has lost a strong and able. He seemed entirely at ease and calmman, who loved his great mountains by smoked a pipe as the reporter as he loved his own life. We cherish talked with him about reports of the the hope that the change that has Christmas day tragedy that cost two

Wagner was shown a statement "Mr. Lowe was never a seeker for circlited to W. R. Lovill, of Boone, bis honors, and con-equently never held attorney, which was: "The killing on political office. He came to the Christmas day of Earl Moody and mountains to get away from that sort Dexter Byrd at Foscoe, near Boone, of thing and to live a quiet life in the has more behind it than appears on was apparent from the beginning the surface. When these facts, now and the Edgecombe lawmaker got Mr Lowe practiced law for 35 unknown to the public, come out, years throughout the mountain coun- they will startle the community. Evhave been without provocation, the public is due for a surprise if it jumps at conclusions." The actorney is said to have refused to amplify his comment upon it.

Wagner still bas a discolored eye. North Carolina last year exceeded but it is not so dark as it was Monday, the day after he was lodged in State board of health reports thow juli here. A cut on the lower part of

teaching Greenshore, but one had it Autom dile accalents again took that Wagner and Moody had some the larges full. In 1925 the total word before the killing. Another was 376. This year it was 159 in vits on decied this and stated that best of terms. Likewise did one re-Burns came next in fatal results, northerser the killings were the outome of a drunken brawl, but investigation, still another report stated. to nearly 300. In 1925 259 died and been draiking. There was some disagreement as to whether Wagner

creme. The estimated man et in Vesterday afternoon the accused 1926 was 225, based on 194 for the lower was shown the following ex-

Wagner was standing on the track, and Moody was below him on the Since we have no regularly or embankment. After some conversaganized associated charities fund for tion Wagner is said to have drawn his this community, we think we have gun, and with the words. I'll shoot the next best thing to take its place, your heart out, fired three shots, all possibly even better rhan an asso, of which took effect. Moody fell ciated charity fund. More than a mortally wounded, but Wagner fired

"Wagner is said then to have gone chest fund whereby all subjects of behind a shed near the track and to charity might be given help. A com- nave reloaded his pistol. He returned mittee made up from the members of to the track, according to the story

community should be turned over to tion of the story sluwly and careful-

consulting with the pastors, acts - "Who wrote that: he asked was

M. B. WOOSLEY, Secretary, unved to read scanning that part of to help her up a high curb-tone. the story relating to his capture, removal to Greenshore, and of his fath. "how sticky your hands are!" El Pa-o. Tex. Jan. 3.—Albert B. et's history with slow and careful at-Fall, former secretary of the interior, tention. W. P. Coffey and J. W. is now safely convalescent, his phy-Coffey, both of Fescoe, exercising the sician said today, after an attack of right of citizens to make arrests in nessee and Western North Carolina

WAGNER REMOVED FROM GUILFORD TO STATE PRISON

Sheriff L. M. Farthing and Deputy P. C. Wyke returned Saturday after. Happenings of Interest Durin at noon from Raleigh, where they went to carry Herbert Wagner, slaver of Earl Moedy and Dexter Byrd, from "Yes, I have something to say, but Guilford county jail to the state pris-It is understood that Sheriff from Watauga county to Green boro a sembly in twenty years, said Sat-only to find the rooms in the build tally sound. Mr. Lowe was a man held in high moved from that bardle to the pent- boro and carried the prisoner to Ra- tem leigh that night, incorrecting Wag-

> The letter addressed to the Guilaldy between 25 and 28 years old, the country official is said to have be passed in the legislature, the next falled to pick up any trail whatever. New York, Pennsylvania and some of ing however, that he was getting forme the signature of L. L. Moody best plan should be found and father of one of the slain men.

R. T. FOUNTAIN NAMED SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Jan be-R. T. Fountain. i Edgerouse county, was planted aker of the house of representaon the second balled in the cauof Democratic house meables orday night. His vote was 51 Trailing him were H. G. Connor, o Wilson, 54, and N. A. Tawnsend, of Harnett, 13. Fif'y votes constituted

tk with 13 and 40 votes respectively. Pownsend brought up the

rear with 13. On the second ballot the Wilson county candidate's loss of strength away to a long lead. The deciding vole was read with three ballots left in the box and unofficial counters throughout the hall broadcast, the dection before the official tabulation ad been completed.

The entire business of organizing the caucus, nominating and second-DEATH IN STATE LAST YEAR statement, and his client refused to the speeches and the election conused slightly more than one hour.

Organization of the senate was he came time.

Senator W. L. Long, of Halifax State board of health reports above 380 lets of the face is hidden by county, was named president pro 131. Volent deaths during the first, the left side of his face is hidden by county, was named president pro the relax of his tacket, but it is there. See to Sit in the seat of Leestenant Reports of the affair were slow in Governor Elmer Long, of Durham, on Mr. Long is absent from the

Governor McLean delivered his bi-November with one of the benying the two mor were upparently on the the opening joint session of the house attracted here. and senate Wednesday night

AN ANCIENT DOCUMENT

was elthat neither Moody nor Byrd, crat the following bill of sale for day by surveyors, who can the line of Roznoke, Va. Monday evening. F. Y Edmins on has proved satisfact drinking. There was some to be a Councill from to the exchange building, which is the exchange building, which is the exchange building. David, James and Rachel Dickson in the Coffey costage, just of Boone party. The home was never more at 197 ale school daving the term of the year 1828. At that time Wat street. The home was never more at 1926, M. C. Raminger, C. M. Gilauga was a part of Ache county and 1925 was 225, based on 194 for the following ex-first eleven months. In 1925 there terms from a correspondent's ac-were 250.

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Know all men by these pres-James Dickson and Rachel Dickson, of Ashe county, state of North Carolina, for and in consideration of five hundred dollars to us in hand paid by Jesse Council, have bargained, sold, conveyed and delivered unto him. the said Jesse Council, one negro woman, Esther, one negro boy named Dick four years of age, one negro boy named Jack, one year old, all which we warrant to be sound, healthy and sensible, and we further warrant and forever defend the same from all lawful claiming and encumbrances whatsoever. Given under our hands and seals this 12th day of Aug., 1828.

DANIEL DICKSON, (Seal) RACHEL DICKSON. (Seal) J. L. DICKSON, (Seal).

Witness JAMES SMITH, Just.

"So would your be," replied Ella the spring.

News of a Week At Blowing Ro

Seven Days In and About mous Resort Town

By RUPERT GILLETT

o remove the prisoner. Sheriff Stat- urday on his departure for Charlotte, inc. filled with on odor very repulsive ford immediately got in touch with to go from there to Raleigh for the and sickening. Sheriff Farthing over long distance opening of the legislature, that he

Then Wagner, who is prob- ther after daylight Saturday morning, said, is the best and most werkable proposal yet made, and if it cannot adopted

Half of the expenses of the county shoot system over the 80-cent tax Dexter Byrd. ould be paid out of the equalizing tr

Fountain's election resulted from a local bills, one of which will be that heavy shifting of Connor votes. On for the annexation of Green Park and ic first hallot the twop ran neer Mayview Park to the corporate limits of Blowing Rock.

Work Progressing on Colf Course

Green Park golf course, which is be- office totaled \$2,797.88, as com- than average rate. ing lengthened to more than 6.000 pared with \$2,564.51 for the same. But the president recalls that dire yards and otherwise improved to period in 1925, according to figures predictions of business depression make it a championship course equal given out by Postmaster Farthing made by some at the beginning of to any in the south and the superior Monday afternoon, in commenting 1926 were never realized and points of many on which championship on the steady increase of postal re-maiches are now played. ceints at the Boone office. The De-not always materialize. But the

leveled and re-sown with creeping for the year 1910. ent, the most expensive as well as Fostmester Furthing stated that constructed.

Because of the enormous amount any of work being done on the course, it will probably not be ready for play office is maintaining a very healthy become a result of the fact that I at the beginning of the summer seas steady growth. son, but by mid-reason everything could message to the legislature at will probably be in readiness for the MR. AND MRS FRANK big matches that are expected to be

Surveyors Lay Out Last Link

Roy farmines The Demo- telephone system was laid out Thurs- Mr. Paul A. Coffey and her his hand

Bathrooms Are Popular

carpenters, he asked the nature of Paul Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Turner
The work Hendrix Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Critch, WILL TRY FORMER TREASURER

loconically without looking up from and Mrs. O. L. Hardin and Miss Irene his sateing

At several other cottages where workmen were busy, the same question was asked, and the same answer was forthcoming.

intend to keep clean.

Highway No. 17

The laying of rock hase on state 000 consolidated school building. As highway No. 17 from Lenoir to Blow- soon as they agree on a site, the coming Rock has reached Green Park mittees will submit their preference hotel and is expected to touch the to the county board of education for hard surface at Skyland Inn within a approval. few days. Immediatey thereafter, Benefit Supper for Fire Department the surfacing will be laid. This will The Blowing Rock fire department be penetration macadam, the surface is \$50 nearer having helmets and that has already given excellent serv- slickers as a result of the chicken ice on the same highway between stew and barn/dance given Friday Boone and Blowing Rock.

from Boone to Lenoir.

School Re-opens

home from a party and took her hand Christmas holidays. The school takes on Main street, and threw a stream home here. only a short Christmas recess, Print of water across the field adjacent to "Gracious me, Ella!" she cried, cipal A. E. Mercer explained, in or like Blackburn hotel. der to complete its session carlier in The new fire station is rapidly

ing Rock, Sandy Flat and Silver Lake corpenters, who are working for the

LEGED GAS ATTACK ON WAGNER HOME AT FOSCOE

The report has reached Boone to some party or parties, through a cent in a window in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Judson Wagner, of Foscoe, in-Blowing Rock, Jan. 5.—Thomas H. members of the family were overjected poisonous gas and that some

his diagnosis was. Outside the win- reads them, are favorable. The Dougherty plan, Mr. Coffey do was found fresh tracks, the story. Among the things leading him to r es and blood hounds were pro- this viewpoint are the increase in

The Dougherty plan contemplates if it was done at all, was perpetrated enterprises and the low surplus of the e-tablishment of an equalization by some one naving feelings against manufactured articles can't of \$5,000,000 and a uniform the family as an outgrowth of the At present prosperity exists in school (ax of 39 cents in each county, double killing by their son, Herbert, barts of the country except the wheat

furd, and the other balf by addi- this, as it is hard to believe that any decression resulting from low cotton toral tuxes levied within the coun- one would be so vile as to attempt to price The plan provides also for an murder the heart-broken parent for Work in general is plentiful, the eight-menth school term. for the a crime, though almost unprecedent-president understands, and the peotraining of teachers, and for higher ed, committed by a wayward son, ple are receiving high wages which This may be only a flying report-we are being spent generously so that Mr. Coffey will introduce several de not vouch for its authenticity.

POSTAL RECEIPTS HERE

Postoffice receipts for the quarter Work was resumed Friday on the ending December 31, last at the local formed, is producing at far better ceints at the Boone office. The Del not always materialize. But the New tors are being constructed cember, 1926, receipts totaled \$1,- signs, as he sees them, point to conthroughout the course, the greens are 160.43, or \$252.36 more than the tinued good business in 1927. being enlarged to have a diameter of receipts for December. 1925, and 100 feet, the fairways are being equal the yearly receipts of the office STALEMENT FROM

the most suitable of all golf rourse the next six months show the same

as said by the foreman, the Buks of a the territory served by the local

A. LINNEY ENTERTAIN

The last link of the Blowing Rock Sert hand in honor of their daughter, it and or E. V. Edminsten. Suicides can slightly better than "The generally account of these who knew nothing of the trans." The correspondent noticed im tended to the place cards at each tender of the who knew nothing of the trans. The correspondent noticed im tended to the place cards at each tender of the shorting is that Wagner met fer of negroes in the days of slavery provements being made on a summer mate. Those enjoying this delight (Ben Wicks, N. A. Hicks, D. A. Roeven, an estimated 125 against 128 the shorting is that Wagner met fer of negroes in the days of slavery provements being made on a summer mate. Those enjoying this delight (Ben Wicks, N. A. Hicks, D. A. Roeven, an estimated 125 against 128 the shorting is that Wagner met fer of negroes in the days of slavery provements being made on a summer mate.

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How Foolish

Little Willie: Mamma, is japa going to heaven when he dies?

Summer residents at Blowing Rock | Mother: Why, son, who pur such an absurd idea into your head?

night for the purpose of raising The completion of the work will faults. The oyster supper and square the ceremony. The bride is give an unbroken hard surfaced road dance of two weeks provious brought popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. t more than \$100.

The Blowing Rock school re-open- paid a visit to Boone to announce S. Lyon, also of Boone. The happy Nurse was bringing little Ella ed Wednesday of last week after the the event attached its hose to a plug couple will continue to make their

nearing completion. The bell tower School Committees from the Blows walls are now being fire hed by the Piker! Cheap kate: pneumoria, which has confined him capital cases, took Wagner into cus- railroad station until the arrival of few days to cettle the long-argued carpenter in town donated either a their terraces and otherwise improvquestion of a site for the new \$35- day's labor or \$5 to the work.

Banner Year in 1927

Seen by the President

FIVE CENTS A COPY

the effect that on last Saturday night Coolidge Is Confident Nation Faces Another Tweive Months of Unbroken Prosperity

By ROBERT FULLER

Stafford, of Guilford, had received Coffey, Watauga county's first Dem-come by the fumes. An slarm was will be a banner year and that the information that a crowd was going ocratic representative in the general rused and neighbors gathered in business of the country is fundamen-

His information. coming from relephone asking for Wagner's re- is strongly in favor of the Dough- to those most affected, but The continued prosperity during the moval. The sheriff went to Greens- erry plan for a state public school sys- hemocrat has not learned just what coming year. All the signs, as he

only smelling around the building. the industrial states, the plentiful is supposed this dastardly act, supply of capital for manufacturing

on Christmas day of Earl Moody and and colton sections, the president Dexter Byrd. firds, and he believes the south will Surely there is some mistake about be able to emerge from the present

production is being stimulated.

Railroads are in good condition, he hinks, and contracts for new equip-MAINTAIN STEADY GROWTH ment during this year will aid busi-

Manufacturing, the president is in-

TEACHER EDMINSTEN

To whom it may concern: The a appleted in Democratic caucus at Praceses, the roughs are being leveled steady growth as the six months just statement that I (E.). Edminsten) and several new biggards are being ended, the receipts by the end of the horse proved very tensacisfactory as scal year will reach \$12,000 annu- a teacher in the Rominger school as written by M. P. Trivett and publish-The above figures would indicate ed in the Wattmen Demo lat, com-

commissional corporal constraint ante his bay in time of new sily. E. V. EDMINSTEN

Reminger, N. C., Dec. 30, 1926. Mr and Mrs. Frank A. Linney en- To the people of our county and the

We, the undersigned, access that Christmas decorations. The tante liem, W. A. Gilliam, Florence Roblich a red ribbon was tied and ex. [1] Pro and A. T. Welson, Lige Pres-

BAPTIST MISSION JANUARY 17

Richmond, Va., Jan 4 .- George N. Sanders, former treasurer of the Baptist Foreign Mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention, will go on trial here January 17 on charges of grand larceny of \$103,000 of the board's funds. The date was agreed on today at the setting of the court's

docket Sanders was indicted yesterday on four counts of grand larceny. He has been in jail here since soon after the shortage in his accounts was discovered several weeks ago.

LYON-MORETZ

Mr. Adolphus Lyon and Miss Grace Moretz were married Sunday afternoon, J. W. Bryan, Esq., performing Thos. Moretz of East Boone. Mr. Before the chicken stew, the truck Lyon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.

> Cheap Campaigning Candidate: The opposition necesses me of buying votes. That's a lie—I never bought a vote in my life! Unsympathetic crowd: Tightwad!