

**'Save the Children' Federation in Meeting**

On Monday, August 5, a meeting was held in the county office building by the "Save the Children Federation." Miss Claire White of New York City, the field representative of the organization, being present. Rev. E. D. Butt officiated and representatives of the following cooperating agencies attended: Board of education, public health, public welfare, V. A. Clinic, School for Girls, N. Y. Lions Club, county agent and W. P. A.

The following were named as an executive committee of the organization in this county: Mrs. Claire P. Simpson, chairman; Rev. E. D. Butt, assistant chairman; Miss Marguerite Miller, secretary and treasurer; Miss Elizabeth Bridge, Harry Hamilton, Dr. Amos Abrams, Mrs. Ruth Isaacs and W. H. Walker.

The object of the meeting was to organize to cooperate with the Save the Children Federation, in order that the school children of the county might share in the benefits of the federation.

Miss White spoke of the many accomplishments of the organization.

**Flower Show Not To Be Held Next Week**

The annual flower show, sponsored by the missionary societies of the Baptist and Methodist churches, which was to have been held next Tuesday, has been postponed indefinitely on account of the flood, it was announced Tuesday morning.

**County-wide Farm Tours Are Cancelled**

The county-wide farm tours which were to have been held on Wednesday and Thursday, have been called off, according to H. M. Hamilton, Jr., the county agent. The cancellation of the tour came about as a result of the flood.

**REV. THOS. C. RHEA TO PREACH AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY A. M.**

Rev. Thomas C. Rhea, brother of Rev. John I. Rhea and pastor of Pisgah Presbyterian church, near Lexington, Ky., will preach at the Presbyterian church here Sunday morning at 10:50 and at the Board's Creek Presbyterian church at 7:45. Rev. and Mrs. Rhea are on their vacation and will spend several days with the Rev. and Mrs. John Rhea in Boone.

**IMPROVEMENT**

Increased industrial production for national defense is expected to create a sound improvement in domestic demand for farm products, reports the U. S. bureau of agricultural economics.

**A PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR LOVILL**

In the interest of the safety of the citizens of Boone, North Carolina, and Watauga county, while traveling or walking on our streets and highways, as a memorial to those who have met with a violent death caused by the wheels of traffic, with a feeling of remorse to those who have been crippled for life by the same cause, as a tribute of thanks to those who are respecting the rights and lives of others by driving and walking safely, and with a plea to every human being in our city, county and state, to do his or her part in making the streets and highways safe in North Carolina for everybody, and

Whereas we are preparing to observe Wednesday, August 22, 1940, as a day of safety to be observed by all our citizens, at which time, in the afternoon of that day at 2:00 o'clock, there will be held in the streets of our city a parade, sponsored by the local police department and city of Boone, featuring a driverless automobile to be operated by remote control by Capt. J. J. Lynch, nationally known safety crusader and speaker, showing conclusively that automobiles are at all times safe and do not have accidents.

Therefore, I do urge upon all our citizens and of those in the county as a whole to witness this safety parade and hear the safety lectures at that time.

W. R. LOVILL, Mayor.

P. S.—We have just recently lost a fine little lad as we all know. I pray we may never have another young life taken in a motor accident.

—W. R. L.

**Charlotte Lund Is Honored at N. Y. Fair**

Miss Charlotte Lund, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lund of Somersville, N. C., and granddaughter of Mrs. Robert Mast of Vitas, recently chosen as Somerset County's representative as Somerset County's representative at the New York world's fair in ceremonies commemorating New Jersey day at the fair and the inauguration of the new state network of radio stations, headed by WAAJ, Jersey City.

A typical American girl from each county in the state of New Jersey attended New Jersey day ceremonies as guests of WAAJ, and Governor A. Harry Moore and Mrs. Moore and posed for a number of photographs with the governor's party.

Miss Lund, along with the other eight girls winning special designation appeared on a radio program and were feted by the governor and world's fair officials.

Miss Lund is well known in Watauga county and spent the month of July at the home of an uncle, Mr. A. Newton Mast, of Cove Creek.

**STORM**

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down before the raging waters. About forty feet of the flume line carrying the water to the turbines was lost and a 2,000-pound transformer went down the stream. While one side of the power house was undermined, the building remains intact.

Meantime, the steam plant of the company located at the college is still running and there has been no interruption of electric service. Mr. Bernard Dougherty, business manager, states that damage to power company equipment is from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

It is stated that should the flood have not subsided, that within ten more minutes the waters of Boone Creek would have forced the company to close down the steam plant. Bags of fine coal were used in lieu of sandbags but despite the efforts of all the workers, water had reached the ash pits of the huge boilers when the flood waters receded.

Mr. Dougherty states that there is enough coal in the bunkers to operate the plant two weeks.

**Record Rainfall**

The rain, which began its consistent downpour Sunday evening, was the heaviest recalled in this county. Mr. Julian Yoder, who is in charge of the weather observatory at the college, states that two inches of rain fell between five and six o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and that the precipitation for 48 hours was eight inches.

Mr. W. G. Todd states that the flood of Sept. 1877 is vividly recalled by him, as well as that of 1916, but that in neither of these was the rainfall as great as this week. In the earlier flood he says foodstuffs were destroyed in quantities but that he does not recall the loss of houses or any major landslide.

The rain abated Wednesday morning but continues to fall, with little prospect of relief.



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