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## VFW ANNOUNCES NAMES OF OTHER LOCAL OFFICIALS

Various Additional Officers and Committee Members Named at Last Meeting of Veterans of Foreign Wars; Organization Meets Thursday

At the last regular meeting of Watauga Mountaineer Post No. 7031, Veterans of Foreign Wars, additional officers and committee members were named, as follows:

- Officer of the day: James Ray Fox.
- Patriotic instructor: A. L. Stewart.
- Historian: Spencer Qualls.
- Service officer: Lionel Ward.
- Legislative officer: Wade E. Brown.
- Guards: Grady Hodges and Ronda G. Hampton.
- Color bearers: Thomas R. Johnson, E. S. Qualls.
- Public relations officer: Roy E. Coffey.
- Employment officer: James Norris.
- Sergeant-major: Kenneth Clay.
- Quartermaster-sergeant: Harold G. Mast.

Committees  
Budget: Olen Goodnight.  
Ways and means: B. K. Osborne, J. E. Joines, Dwight M. Edmisten, Jr., Jack E. Ward.

Welfare: Tom B. Redmond, Eugene L. Smith, Joe C. Ward.  
Building: A. W. Smith, M. G. Barnes, Mack A. Cowles, Stacy C. Eggers, James M. Burkett, Sr.

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## Family Makes Home In Jail



When Sheriff Lyman D. Clark, Appleton, Wis., had to evict Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Brunette and their nine children, he invited them to stay in the Outagamie county jail until they could find another place to live. They are shown in their new "apartment."

## DAVID OVENS TO SPEAK AT FINALS OF APPALACHIAN

Charlotte Business Leader to Deliver Commencement Address at Closing of Second Summer Term at Appalachian; 41 to Get Degrees

President B. B. Dougherty of Appalachian State Teachers College has announced that Mr. David Ovens, of Charlotte, will be the speaker at the summer commencement on Wednesday evening, Aug. 28, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Ovens is a native of Ontario, Canada, being a citizen by choice of the United States. He is an executive of Ivey's store, and a versatile public relations man.

At the commencement 41 seniors will receive degrees, certified in ten different fields: English, French, grammar grade, history, home economics, mathematics, physical education, primary, science, and social studies.

In addition to the state of North Carolina, the graduates come from Georgia, South Carolina, New Jersey and Virginia.

## ART EXHIBIT TO BE HELD TODAY

Showing of Paintings of Otto Hans Herschel to Feature Flower Show

An exhibition of some of the paintings of Otto Hans Herschel will feature the annual flower show of the Women's worthwhile club, which is being held Thursday August 22, at the Daniel Boone Hotel, in connection with a benefit tea and the weekly outdoor concert of the local high school band.

Those who wish to enter flowers are asked to bring them to the Daniel Boone Hotel by one o'clock on Thursday. Proceeds from the tea and flower show are to be used to further civic projects sponsored by the Worthwhile club.

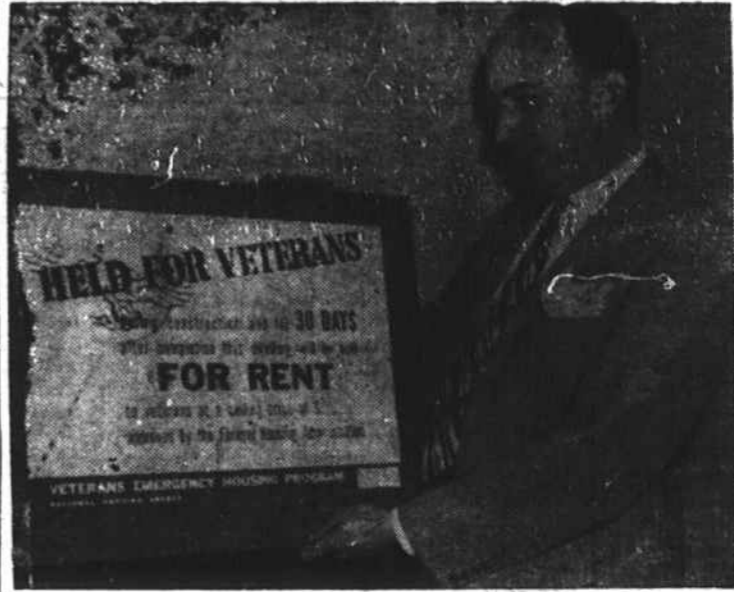
## Annie Pearl Dobson Succumbs on Route 1

Mrs. Annie Pearl Dobson, 37 years old, died at the home on Boone Route 1, on Aug. 14.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m. on the afternoon of the 15th from the Rutherford Baptist Church by Rev. Levi Greene, Rev. W. D. Ashly and Rev. W. J. Cook, and interment was in the Rutherford cemetery by Reins-Sturdivant.

The husband, Estel S. Dobson, survives, with one daughter, Glenna Mae Dobson. Other survivors are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Bodenhamer, and four brothers: Earl, Glenn, Clyde and Claude Bodenhamer, Route 1, Boone.

## Reserved For Veterans



Wilson W. Wyatt, national housing expediter and administrator of the national housing agency, displays the sign which will identify for veterans and servicemen all construction under the veteran emergency housing program. The placards will be posted within five days after construction begins and for "specified" period after construction.

## Manila Bound



Archie G. Qualls, former OPA enforcement attorney at Charlotte, has been appointed by the war department as a senior defense attorney for the war criminals trials at Manila and ordered to report at San Francisco for flight to the Philippines Aug. 19. Mr. Qualls is a native of Boone, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Qualls, and during the life of the OPA was active in enforcement work with the Charlotte district office, handling many large litigations in the Federal courts. He has been practicing law in the state since 1933. He will be in the Philippines for approximately a year.

## DR. RHEA DIES ON WEDNESDAY

Well-known Shouns, Tenn., Physician Succumbs to Sudden Illness Near Home

Dr. E. Bruce Rhea, retired physician of Shouns, Tenn., who was well known in Watauga county, died suddenly Wednesday of last week, and a heart attack is given as the cause of his demise.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon and interment was in the Shouns cemetery. Immediate survivors are two sisters: Mrs. W. C. Wright, Mountain City, Tenn., and Miss Carolyn Rhea, of Shouns.

Dr. Rhea, who was a son of the late Dr. R. C. Rhea and Mrs. Rhea, was a graduate of the Jefferson Medical College, practiced medicine in Tacoma, Wash., and was a major in the medical corps during the first World War, before establishing practice at Shouns. He was a thirty-second degree Mason.

## Jewelry Salesman Is Robbed of Materials

Fred Harmon, jewelry salesman of Knoxville, Tenn., while staying overnight in Boone recently, had two sample cases taken from his car, which was parked near the Watauga Hotel. The cases contained, it is said, materials and implements for watchmakers to the value of \$1,000 or perhaps \$1,500.

**VOLUNTEERS**  
James A. Dugger, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dugger, of Vilas, has volunteered for retention until July, 1947, at the advanced training base at Pensacola, Fla.

## SCHOOL SYSTEM IS FACED WITH TUTOR SHORTAGE

Board of Education Runs Into Difficulty Finding Enough Qualified Teachers for Classrooms This Year; Number of Vacancies Exist

The county school system is teachers with high certificates to fill the many teaching positions, says Superintendent W. Howard Walker, who states that a number of vacancies still exist in the system.

In an effort to bridge over the emergency, Mr. Walker states that a number have been employed with low certificates and some with non-standard certificates. Even at that there are still 10 vacancies in the school system, as follows:

- Fairview (one teacher school).
- Elk, two vacancies (three teacher school).
- Blowing Rock, one sixth grade, one eighth grade and one high school.
- Cook (one teacher school).
- Bethel, one high school.
- Mabel, one first grade and one fourth grade.

The various county schools will open their 1946-47 terms on Tuesday September 3.

## JUNIORS OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

Daniel Boone Council Organized Twenty Years Ago; Banquet Monday Night

In celebration of its twentieth anniversary, Daniel Boone Council, No. 129, Junior Order, United American Mechanics, will observe ladies night at a banquet to be held at Carolina Cafe Monday evening, August 26th, at 7:30 o'clock.

C. W. Snyder, who was State Councilor at the time the local council was instituted, and J. H. Gilley, who organized the council, have been invited to speak. The Daniel Boone Council was organized August 26, 1926, with 52 charter members. Of the 52, 16 are still members of the order and 12 have died. There are now 91 members. During the twenty year span the organization has made great progress, and a hall has been bought and paid for during the period. Ira S. Ayers is the present councilor, and Russell D. Hodges is Secretary.

## Mrs. Bettie Watson Succumbs at Age 85

Mrs. Bettie Wellborn Watson, 85 years old, died at the home at Deep Gap last Thursday and funeral rites were held at the Laurel Springs Baptist Church on Friday by Rev. Levi Greene and Rev. G. A. Hamby and interment was in the church cemetery, Reins-Sturdivant being in charge of the details.

Surviving are four sons and six daughters: C. D. and Ode Watson, Deep Gap; J. D. Watson, Belknap, Wash.; W. F. Watson, San Diego, Calif.; Mrs. J. C. Greene, Mrs. A. G. Watson, Deep Gap; Mrs. C. M. Mitchell, Erie, Mich.; Mrs. L. A. Galvin, San Diego, Calif.; Mrs. Mae Richardson, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. J. A. Idol of Boone. There are two brothers and two sisters: Daniel Wellborn and A. E. Wellborn, Stony Fork; Mrs. Rebecca Brown, Laxon, and Mrs. Mary Glenn, Vilas.

## Roby Greer Seriously Hurt in Fall Friday

Roby T. Greer suffered a fractured vertebrae in a fall on his farm near Boone last Friday and information from the local hospital, where Mr. Greer is a patient, indicates that while his injury is serious he is showing a normal improvement. Mr. Greer was engaged in haying when the accident occurred and he reportedly fell from atop a haystack.

## Lord Inverchapel At Blowing Rock

Lord Inverchapel, British ambassador to the United States, spent last week-end at Blowing Rock as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Hersey. The party stopped in Charlotte Friday at the home of Mrs. Hersey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Cannon.

## BLOWING ROCK TO HAVE PARK

Charlotte Architect Completes Plans for Modern Park in Mountain Resort

Plans for a new park area for Blowing Rock have been completed by Harold B. Bursley, architect from Charlotte, and when these plans reach fruition and buildings are completed, Blowing Rock will have as modern a park as any city in the country. The property was purchased last winter by the town of Blowing Rock and comprises a plot of ground on Main street, known as the Coffey property.

The architect's plans call for a library, which is expected to be the most widely used facility in the recreation center.

Across from the library will stand a municipal building. It will house the offices of the town officials, and will be modern in design as will be the library.

Between the library and the municipal building will be a pavilion which can be used for dancing and other recreations.

In the rear of the pavilion, space is planned for the construction of shuffleboard and badminton courts and a croquet setup. Horseshoe pitching pits will be located on the property.

Two standard size tennis courts will be located west of the playground. The playground will have slides, swings, teeters, sand piles and other devices.

An amphitheater is to be built between the tennis court and Mayview lake. The lake will be dammed and a swimming pool built, complete with bath house, showers and lockers.

Northeast and northwest of the pool will be devoted to picnic areas, with ample parking facilities. Extensive walks will meander through the park, and trees, shrubbery and flowers will be planted.

Direction of the work is under the park commission, appointed by the town council. The original commission was composed of G. C. Robbins, president of the Chamber of Commerce, chairman; Dr. Walter K. Keys and F. W. Webster. Additional members are Mrs. Anne Cannon, Mrs. Walter K. Keys, Mrs. W. B. Castle, W. C. Lentz, David Ovens and J. Luther Snyder.

## Stewart to Speak at Legion Post Meeting

Coach Flucie Stewart, of Appalachian State Teachers College faculty, will speak at the meeting of the American Legion Friday at 7:30. Coach Stewart, a veteran of the naval warfare in the Pacific during the recent conflict, will tell of local football prospects during the course of his address.

The Legion membership drive is going strong, it is reported, and over 100 names have been added to the roster of Watauga post.

## ROBS BLIND MAN

Chicago—While standing in line in front of the cashier's office in the lobby of the county office to pay his property tax of \$83, Sam Faulstich, 68-year-old blind man, who took the \$83 Faulstich was holding and stood in line with him. When Faulstich presented his tax statement, he told the cashier his newly-acquired friend would give him the \$83, only to discover that the "good Samaritan" had disappeared.

## MARINE CORPS RECRUITER HERE

Men Are Being Accepted for Enlistment in Marine Corps Here Today

Marine Corps Headquarters of North Carolina announced today that Platoon Sgt. Joseph A. Walker and Sgt. Claude C. Kiger would accept men for enlistment in the Marine Corps in Boone, on August 21-22.

The sergeants, both veterans of the Pacific Campaign, will establish temporary recruiting headquarters in the Post Office Building. Their office will be open 8 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.

Current Marine recruiting regulations permit the enlistment of able-bodied men between 17 and 30, offering a choice of general duty or duty with Marine Corps aviation.

Men accepted by Sgt. Walker will be taken to Charlotte for enlistment and transferred to Parris Island, S. C., for eight weeks recruit training. Upon completion of the initial training period they will be granted a 10-day furlough.

Those who enlist while the sergeants are in Boone, will receive the new pay of \$75 a month and will be entitled to all the benefits of the GI Bill of Rights.

## Mayor Winkler Serves On Legislative Group, Municipalities League

Mayor Gordon H. Winkler has been advised of his appointment as a member of the legislative committee of the North Carolina League of Municipalities, and attended a meeting of the group in Raleigh last Thursday.

The meeting was called for the purpose of drawing a 1947 league legislative program to present to the annual conference in September.

## Three Forks Baptist Association To Hold 106th Meeting Next Week

The Three Forks Baptist Association will meet with the Rutherford Baptist Church, on Boone R.F.D. 1, Aug. 27th and 28th, this being the one hundred and sixth session of the association. The following is the program of the gathering:

- SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
THEME: "God Giveth the Increase"  
**Tuesday, August 27, 1946**  
9:00-9:25—Devotional and Roll Call  
9:25-9:45—Address of Moderator  
9:45-10:30—Temperance  
10:30-11:00—Religious Literature  
11:00-11:15—Announcements and Miscellaneous  
11:15-12:00—Annual Sermon—Lawrence Hagaman  
**Noon Recess**  
1:00-1:15—Devotional  
1:15-2:30—Missions (State, Home and Foreign)  
2:30-3:15—Christian Education (Colleges, Sunday Schools and B. T. U.)  
3:15-3:30—Closing Worship  
**Wednesday, August 28, 1946**  
9:00-9:15—Devotional  
9:15-9:30—Obituaries  
9:30-10:00—Woman's Work  
10:00-10:15—Announcements and Miscellaneous  
10:15-11:00—Reports and Executive Committee  
11:00-11:45—Associational Progress  
11:45-12:00—Election of Officers  
**Noon Recess**  
1:00-1:15—Devotional  
1:15-2:30—Benevolences (Mills Home, Hospital and Old Ministers Relief)  
2:30-3:00—Reports: Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preacher  
3:00-3:30—Miscellaneous and Reading of Minutes  
3:30-3:45—Closing Worship