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KING STREET BY ROB RIVERS

THE BELL TELEPHONE FOLKS just can't run the Boone exchange in the old fashioned country style to which we have become accustomed...

This popular gentleman, a familiar figure along the streets of Boone for many years, cranked up his telephone the other day, and told the operator, "Give me John Smith, please."

SOMETHING IRONICAL in the fact that the political organization which Lincoln espoused, and which has lavished such praise upon his memory for the past four score years or more, is the same which following the bloody "war between the states," sabotaged the Emancipator's ideals and peace aims...

LINCOLN'S DEATH was a calamity for the whole nation, but it brought a specific and incalculable loss to the South, where his birthday should be celebrated by people of all political faiths and creeds...

SPEAKING of the prevailing desire for revenge, and for the punishment of the rebels, Lincoln said he would have no part of such a plan...

MEET MAYOR AFTER SON'S DEATH



The Mayor of Minneapolis, Hubert Humphrey, right, is shown talking with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jensen as he seeks first-hand information regarding the death of their infant son.

PONDERS A POINT



Harold Ickes, former secretary of the interior, gazes off into space as he tries to remember some information during his testimony before a special Senate committee investigating Arabian-American oil contracts in connection with the national defense program.

CITY LAUDED ASSNOW MOVED

Merchants Association Expresses Appreciation to City Council.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Boone Merchants Association held Tuesday afternoon a resolution was unanimously adopted expressing appreciation to Mayor Winkler and the Board of Aldermen for the fine job city employees are doing in keeping the streets and drive-ways of the town clear of snow.

MRS. BESSIE HARRISON DIES AT BLOWING ROCK

Mrs. Bessie M. Harrison, 74, died February 6th at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Edgar Hart of Blowing Rock.

Funeral services were conducted at the Presbyterian Church on February 9th, at 2 p. m. by Rev. Mr. Harris and interment was in the Blowing Rock cemetery.

EX-COWBOY SAVES DOG Great Falls, Mont.—Seeing a collie dog caught in the current of the Missouri River, Patrolman Jack Peterson hurried to a nearby store, got a lariat and tossed a loop expertly over the head of the struggling animal, bringing him safely to shore. Peterson is an ex-cowboy.

U. S. FORESTRY AGENT TO HOLD AREA MEETINGS

Forestry Education Consultant of U. S. Forest Service To Hold Meetings and Conferences in Watauga, Starting in Boone Monday.

C. W. Mattison, forestry education consultant, division of information and education of the U. S. Forestry Service, will be in Watauga county on February 15, 16, and 17 for a series of public meetings and conferences.

Mr. Mattison will speak at the ASTC area committee meeting to be held in the Faculty Apartments, Sunday evening, February 15, at 7:30.

On Tuesday, February 17, Mr. Mattison will speak at 9:15 a. m. to the regional geography classes at the college.

Mr. Mattison is a graduate of the Forestry School at Cornell University. He has worked in many sections of the United States, including the Northeast, West, and South.

The public is invited to all of Mr. Mattison's conferences, and school people especially are urged to attend.

"N. C. Education" Gets Recognition

Dr. Amos Abrams, former of Boone, One of Editors of Outstanding Periodical.

Teachers of the State will be glad to know that their professional journal, North Carolina Education, has been chosen as the "Education Journal of the Month" for October.

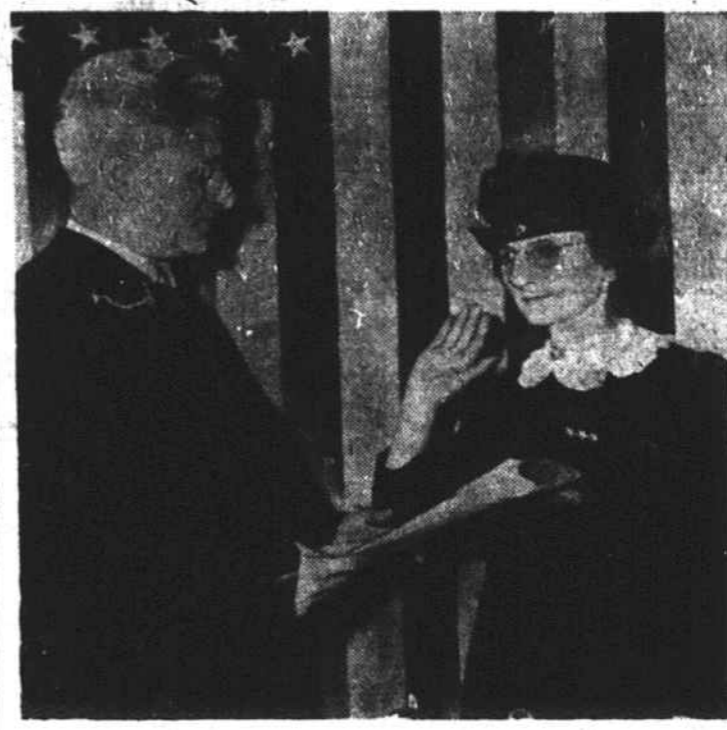
In choosing North Carolina Education for the month of October the critics wrote: "We were pleased by the way excellent photographs, the apt titling of articles, the pertinent and interesting blurbs and subtitles, the sprightly style in which most articles were written."

Those responsible for the production of the magazine are Mrs. Harlan Edwards, North Carolina Education Association executive, secretary and editor; Dr. W. Amos Abrams, associate editor; John G. Bickle, advertising manager; Miss Jean Branch, editorial assistant and circulation manager; and T. S. Ferree, Jr., consulting artist.

BABY'S BIRTH CAUSES 8-CAR CRASH

Detroit, Mich.—Receiving an emergency call to deliver a baby, Dr. John H. Zeigler had to abandon his automobile in an underpass when it stalled and had a taxi.

GOLD STAR MOTHER NATURALIZED



Right hand raised to take the oath, Mrs. Stella Lewandowski, 58, of Lyndhurst, N. J., a three-time gold star mother, becomes an American citizen.

ONE HOUR EXTRA



Chairman Charles W. Tobey (R.) of New Hampshire, left, of the Senate banking committee, confers with AFL president William Green, who proposes that American labor increase its work day by one hour at overtime rates.

SHEEPMEN TO GATHER HERE

Sheep Growers of Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga to Meet in Boone.

Raleigh, Feb. 10—E. H. Mattingley, prominent sheep breeder and dealer of St. Louis, Mo., will be the principal speaker at a meeting of sheep growers of Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga counties to be held at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Feb. 21, at the Watauga county courthouse in Boone.

Plans for the meeting were announced here by Robert S. Curtis, livestock marketing specialist with the State Department of Agriculture.

MRS. PANSY BELLE WHITE DIES IN FOUNTAIN CITY

Mrs. Pansy Greene White, 47, daughter of the late John Greene and Mrs. Naomi Wyke Greene of Boone, died recently at the home in Fountain City, Tenn., and funeral services and interment were in that community.

The survivors include the husband, W. M. White, and the following sons and daughters: J. W. Lee, Creed, Roger and Fred White, Mrs. Zora Stout, Mrs. Margie Sims, Flora Mae, Lilla Belle White; two grandchildren, all of Knoxville; brother, Fred Greene, Bristol; four sisters, Mrs. Letcher Teague, Boone; Miss Pearl Greene, Boone; Mrs. Alma Phillips, Harvey, W. Va.; Mrs. Grace Pitts, Wheeler, N. C.

BRITISH SOLON TO VISIT CITY



Member of House of Commons to Speak at College Through Lyceum Series.

Honorable Rhys J. Davies, member of Parliament, and prominent member of the British Labor Party, will speak at Appalachian State Teachers College on February 17 at eight o'clock in the evening.

Mr. Davies is of Welsh parentage. He has been successively, a farm laborer, coal miner, trade union official, member of the Manchester City council, president of the Manchester and Salford labor movement, and member of Parliament. He is considered an authority on social insurance, and has served as Under Secretary of State for home affairs, and as a member of Royal Commissions.

The public is invited to hear Mr. Davies when he comes to Appalachian on February 17.

OLD CLOTHING CANVASS SET

Door-to-Door Collection of Clothing to Feature Relief Effort.

Friday morning February 20, will be featured by a door-to-door canvass of Boone for old clothing and other goods to be used for overseas relief purposes.

Leaflets will be distributed this week, listing all the items which can be used, and householders are asked to have the articles ready on the morning of the 20th. Those who can't be at home at that time are asked to leave their gifts on their porches, and they will be picked up.

BUILDING WILL START SOON AT APPALACHIAN

New Power Plans, Laundry, First Steps in Building Program to Spend Two Million Dollars at Local Institution; Starts in Spring.

The first phase of a two million dollar building program is scheduled to get under way this spring at Appalachian State Teachers College, according to an announcement made by President B. B. Dougherty.

The power plant, which will be erected on the site of the present plant, will boost skyward a brick stack thirteen and a half feet in diameter and one hundred and fifty feet high.

The laundry building, which will also house the machine shop and garage, is to be a two-story structure, 140 feet long and 80 feet wide and will extend from the south side of the present laundry, doubling its size and adding greatly to its capacity.

The 1947 legislature authorized the expenditure of two million dollars for permanent improvements at Appalachian College, and the time for the start of the program was left with the Governor and the Council of State.

AAA IS TAKING LIME ORDERS

Eligible Farmers May Get Phosphate and Lime; Grass Seed Later.

The Watauga County AAA Committee is now in a position to take orders for lime and phosphate. All farmers who have filed a complete performance report on practices carried out in 1947, and have also filed a worksheet for 1948, are now eligible to receive materials.

It is important that farmers get their phosphate early this year," Mr. Glenn, chairman of the AAA committee said today. "After the usual run of commercial fertilizers gets into full swing, phosphate will likely be scarce. It is also important to get phosphate on your grass early in the spring in order to get the most pasture or hay during the growing season."

W. C. Richardson To Head Red Cross Drive

Mr. W. C. Richardson, assistant county agent, has been named fund campaign chairman for Red Cross in Watauga county, replacing Mr. Clyde R. Greene who has served in this capacity for the past seven years.

"LOST SNAKE Grand Rapids, Mich.—It was with a sigh of relief that visitors and employes at the Grand Rapids Museum learned that a 2 1-2-foot baby boa constrictor, "lost" for ten days, had been found. The snake, presented to the museum by a wholesale fruit house after it had been found in a bunch of bananas, escaped from a cardboard box in the curator's office.