

FIRE DRILL PAYS
Pittsburgh, Pa.—Marching in single file, as they had been taught, eleven blind children, ranging in age from 5 to 10, found their way to safety when fire broke out in their school for the blind. The children were sleeping on the school's second floor.

COVE CREEK HI SCHOOL NEWS

We were delighted to have with us last week Dr. A. L. Weaver, head of the U. S. Resource-Use Commission and Mr. C. Mattison who presented a movie, on forest fire prevention and also a short film on the effects of water on forests.

Mr. S. F. Horton made a trip to Raleigh in the interest of the school lunch room, Friday of last week. He reports that his trip was successful in that he was able to collect for the lunch room funds to the amount of \$100 which had been due for some time.

The social committee entertained the high school faculty last Thursday afternoon, in honor of Miss Annabel Bingham, business teacher who recently resigned from the faculty. After serving refreshments which consisted of salad and coffee. The committee presented Miss Bingham with a gift. While we regret the loss of Miss Bingham from the faculty, we are glad to welcome Miss Roxanna Bingham who has been employed to complete this year's work in business education.

Word has just reached us that Eugene Blair who recently took and passed successfully the examinations for Naval Reserve Officers Corps has been accepted.

Boys' Athletics

The Cove Creek Red Raiders played the Lees-McRae college "B" team Thursday, February 19, and after a hard fought game the Lees-McRae team was victorious by a score of 33 to 41.

Neither team was able to score much in the first half against their opponents defense and both teams made many fouls in their effort to gain possession of the ball. The Lees-McRae team, however, was able to keep the ball most of the time and they took advantage of this to run up their score and keep a safe lead above the Red Raiders score. Although the Red Raiders fought hard they were unable to catch up with the Lees-McRae scoring and thus were behind by 8 points when the final whistle blew. High scorer for the Red Raiders was Len Stokes with 13 points.

Tobacco Meeting Held

About 175 to 200 farmers, veteran farmers and FFA members attended a special tobacco meeting held in the school auditorium February 19.

Tobacco Specialist Bennett and Pathologist Garriss of the agricultural extension service conducted the meeting. They showed numerous slides and discussed in detail the various problems confronting the growers of burley tobacco.

These meetings are very informative and should do much to improve the quality of tobacco grown in the county.

FFA Boys Write Speeches

All members of the FFA chapter are preparing speeches for the preliminaries in the National FFA public speaking contest.

Each class will select their best speaker next week. The class winners will then compete for chapter winner. The chapter winner will then compete, March 8, with 10 other schools for the Parkway Federation winner. The winner there goes to the District then the State, Regional and National. Our chapter is looking

forward to the day when it will have some winners in some of the National FFA contests.

FFA Pig Project

The Future Farmers bought two pigs and are feeding them the scraps from the lunch room along with a little grain each member contributed to carry on the project. The money from the pigs will probably be used to start more chain projects, such as the sheep project we now have in operation.

SQUASH KEEPS WELL

J. Wilson Norris, a few days ago sent the Democrat a portion of a squash which he harvested in 1946, and which was just beginning to deteriorate. Salvaged a few seeds from the long-lived variety for use in our vegetable garden this spring

M. R. BERNHARDTS ARRIVE FROM PARIS SATURDAY

(Lenoir News-Topic.) Mr. and Mrs. Matt R. Bernhardt are expected to arrive in Lenoir, Saturday from Paris, France where they have been living for the past eighteen months. Mr. Bernhardt is connected with the State Department in Washington and maintained headquarters in Paris.

The Lenoir couple arrived in New York from England aboard the Queen Mary on Wednesday. They were scheduled to arrive in New York Tuesday but the luxury liner was thirteen hours behind schedule.

This will be Mrs. Bernhardt's first trip home since going to Paris to join her husband eighteen months ago. During that time Mr. Bernhardt twice was called to Washington on business and made brief visits to Lenoir.

Both trips by Mr. Bernhardt were by air. (Note: Mrs. Bernhardt will be remembered as the former Miss Allys Henry Penn of Boone.)

CRAFT SCHOOL

Thirty-six women attend the crafts school conducted in Boone by Miss Rose Elwood Bryan, extension specialist in food conservation and marketing, on Friday, February 20th.

Miss Bryan discussed all types of saleable handicrafts, including toys, clothing, weaving, pictures, jewelry, brooms, rugs and others. Tentative plans are to conduct an all-day work shop on brooms in the fall for those who have planted broom corn for this purpose.

N. C. WALLACE LEADER CHEERED

Greensboro—Mary Price, chairman of the new Progressive Party of North Carolina, said today she has found "a lot of enthusiasm" in North Carolina for the candidacy of Henry A. Wallace.

"The landslide victory for Wallace's peace and prosperity program in New York's special Congressional election Tuesday is an indication of what may happen in North Carolina next November," Miss Price asserted in a statement.

The Progressive party chairman said she had toured Eastern North Carolina and found strong enthusiasm for Wallace.

"This was especially true fol-

lowing Tuesday's election," she added. "People even stopped me on the street, when they noticed the Wallace button I was wearing, to say they were planning to vote third party in November."

COSTLY JOKE

Fresno, Calif.—A. K. Lind, a collector for a merchantile acceptance corporation, was given a bag of money for deposit. Instead of banking it, he jokingly tossed the bag into a wastebasket, telling the cashier, "This is no good to me. I'll just put it with the rest of the trash." In the Saturday noon closing rush, the cashier forgot to recover the money. On Monday, it was discovered that the deposit had not been made but a careful search of trash baskets and garbage dumps failed to locate the money, \$6,704.

Reynaud says market break will not cause a world depression.

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