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KING STREET BY ROB RIVERS

JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, with the cooperation of Mr. Ivy Wilson, and others, rendered a public service in giving the city dump a good spraying of DDT, thus at least temporarily ridding the town of its worst fly hatchery, and contributing to the health and well-being of the community. . . . The local Jaycees are alert young men, and may be expected to accomplish a good many things while their elders are doing the talking. . . . Lenoir takes the honors over Wilkesboro in the first grid game of the season in the college stadium. . . . local enthusiasts turn out en masse to see the two high school teams handle the pigskin. . . . if anything the encounter was more colorful and fiercer than the usual varsity tangle. . . . our good friend Troy Norris tells of the big fish that didn't get away. . . . W. H. Gragg hands out campaign pictures. . . . Prof. Will Winkler announces for the State Senate on the Republican ticket, and H. O. Aldridge, the chairman of the board of commissioners says he will not seek his party's nomination at the convention Saturday. . . . Local man gets a letter from Wallace headquarters in Durham and cusses everybody from Joe Stalin to Mary Price. . . . Just about the time everybody gets lined up to a degree of peace and harmony. . . . long comes an election.

W. H. SMITH, local amateur photographer, who also makes a hobby of recording the antics of Boone weather organized a "butterfly club" in his neighborhood to take the attention of the kiddies, who had to be kept off the streets due to polio's presence. . . . armed with long-handled nets, the kiddies have captured dozens of different varieties of butterflies, and have them catalogued, with the name of each species. . . . The names of the youngsters who are having such a good time in this novel pastime are Lynn and John Bowden, Thomas Lawrence, Mary Lawrence, Peter Maddux, Helen Parker, Bobbie Watkins, Randolph Maddux, Frankie Hamilton, Steve Hamilton, Ford King.

FARMER talks of the advantages of the AAA program, one of the most popular reforms of the Roosevelt era, in this territory. . . . says where lime and phosphate have enriched the hills, two ears of corn are growing where one grew before. . . . and that two steers are now fattening where one was hard-pushed for a livelihood in the old days. . . . another farmer says he doesn't believe in the program. . . . County Agent Tuckwiler giving us a lot of information on the various types of hybrid corn being grown. . . . farmers talk of unsteady beef prices as hot weather cuts grass short and sends the bovines to market ahead of time. . . . tobacco chewer takes long-range squirt at pop-bottle cap and hits it right on the button. . . . Woman withdraws from the main avenue to pin a fresh clout on healthy looking babe. . . . Dr. Gresham says hello to friends along the street, following a western tour. . . . The Moultrie, Ga., minister fills the pulpit at the Baptist church on Sunday morning. . . . youngsters start another trek to the office of the draft board, during the war's intermission. . . . bottle tossed from speeding car rolls unbroken on the pavement. . . . cyclist weaves back and forth among the folks on sidewalk, frightening pedestrians. . . . fore we had pavement we had a law against this practice. . . . man alleged to have stood at one spot so long dog mistook him for telegraph pole. . . . theatre-goer giving round-by-round explanation of the story of the film. . . . laws take on the new look as mowers wait for rain. . . . reddening apples and yellowing "punkins" herald the approach of autumn. . . . The maple at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Moretz which always colored in late August, must have been cut down. . . . the lighted croquet court at Emory Jones' home. . . . and the daily instructions we give tourists seeking the best route over which to detour to Blowing Rock. . . . The way they seem to appreciate courtesy would indicate they are unaccustomed to friendliness when making inquiries. . . . and the man who believes that the world has gone to the dogs, just 'cause he happens to be personally unhappy over some harrowing happening along the way.

JAYCEES MAKE WAR ON FLIES



Scene taken at the city dump as the Jaycees thoroughly sprayed the premises with a DDT mixture five times as strong as ordinary used, in an effort to make the place untenable for house flies. Shown left to right, are, Lawrence Wilson, of Wilson's Feed Store, who loaned the spraying equipment and aided in the work; Joe Michael, of the Southern Agricultural Insecticides, who gave the chemicals for the project; Cecil Farthing, R. D. Hodges, Perry Greene, Jaycee President; Fred M. Gragg, Roger Wilson, assisted, but was not in picture. —Photo By Blair.

WEE BOONE GIRL REJECTS 'SHAKE' OF PRESIDENT

Washington — Olivia Brewer has done it again! For a second time, the six-year-old girl from Boone, N. C., has refused to shake hands with President Truman. The first instance occurred August 23rd when Olivia went to the White House with her daddy, Kidd Brewer, the administrative assistant to Senator W. B. Umstead of North Carolina. The second time came when the Brewers attended church at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., and found, to their surprise, that the President was worshipping there, too. He had stopped at Annapolis during a cruise on his yacht. Olivia was dressed in the same blue-and-white frock she had worn at the White House. On the front, was a white heart design trimmed in blue, and on the back, a little bustle. Mr. Truman spied the familiar dress as he walked down the aisle to leave the church. Stepping aside from his party and smiling, he tried once more to shake hands with the brown-haired little girl. But she still refused. Mr. Truman laughed at his second rebuff and went on out. Olivia's parents didn't think it quite so funny. They asked their daughter why she wouldn't greet the President. On the first occasion, she had assured them she didn't intend to vote for Dewey, or Wallace, or Thurmond—that her candidate for President was "my Mama." Later, Mr. Brewer reported, she told him he would be an acceptable President, too. Olivia is going to enter a school in Washington. "If she isn't investigated in the loyalty probe," her mother said today. "I hope the President can win her over somehow," Mrs. Brewer said. "But she's a stubborn southerner."

Sentenced 12-15 Years For Attempted Assault

Former Wataugan Convicted On Two Charges of Attempt To Commit Assault on Daughter of 14, in Caldwell Superior Court; Abnormal Physical Condition Blamed by Judge. Spencer Henderson, native Wataugan, was sentenced to a term of 12 to 15 years in Caldwell Superior Court last Thursday afternoon, following conviction on two cases of attempting to commit an assault on his 14 year old daughter.

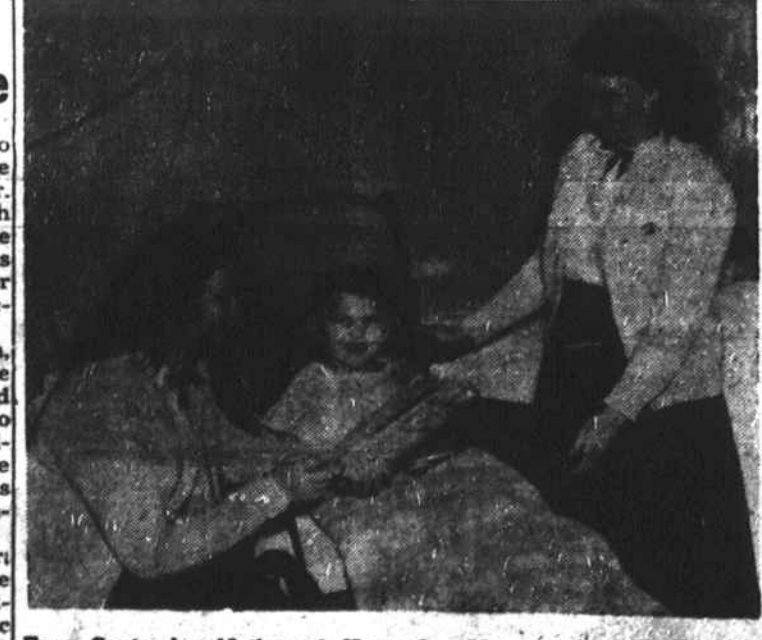
Roy Wilson Is Taken By Death

Roy Wilson, 66 years old, widely known in this section, where he was a leader in the political life of the county for more than a quarter of a century, died at the home at Trade, Tenn., Wednesday of last week, following a long period of declining health. Mr. Wilson was reared in the Zionville section of Watauga county, where he lived until recently. He was for more than twenty years Chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Watauga county, and devoted a major portion of his time to party affairs. He engaged in agricultural pursuits and once served as postmaster at Zionville, and was R. F. D. mail carrier there for a short period. Funeral services were conducted at the Trade Methodist church with Rev. Ray Stewart and Rev. R. C. Eggers officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery, with Reins-Sturdivant being in charge of the details. The widow, Mrs. Callie G. Wilson survives, with three brothers and two sisters: John Wilson, of Granite Falls; Patrick Wilson, of South Dakota; Roby Wilson, of Zionville; Mrs. J. S. Flannery of Zionville and Mrs. William Combs who lives in the state of Washington.

\$10,000,000,000 in war reconstruction aid given outside U. S.

JOHNSON COUNTY SINGING
The Johnson county singing convention will meet in Mountain City, Tenn., Sunday, Sept. 5th at 10:00 a. m. All groups of Gospel singers are invited to attend and take part in the convention.

Good Friends and Good Citizens



From September 15 through November 30, more than 200,000 girls, between the ages of seven and eighteen, are saying "Hi, there, neighbors," to other girls across the country. They are also inviting them to share the fun and friendship of the Camp Fire Girls' program by joining the organization's Membership March. These two Northern clubbers, senior Campfire girls, are helping a young patient to escape the boredom of convalescence by reading to him.

FIRST MASTER DEGREE GIVEN AT COLLEGE

History is Made as Harold D. Quincey Gets the First Master's Degree to Be Conferred by Appalachian; 76 Are Graduated; Dr. Smith Is the Commencement Speaker.

History was made at Appalachian State Teachers college on Thursday night, in the opinion of President B. B. Dougherty, when Harold C. Quincey of the Demonstration School faculty received the first master's degree ever conferred by the institution. He received the master of arts degree in education. It is the hope of the college administration that Appalachian will become a regional center for summer graduate and undergraduate study.

Of the seventy-six graduates, twelve graduated with honors. Magna cum laude rating went to Rogers Whitener of Spindale, Margaret Jones Hopkins of Beaufort, and Laura L. Brown of Charleston, S. C. Cum laude graduates were Earley Lee Tilley of Mt. Airy, Mary Hamilton of Asheville, Wilmoth Herron of Plant City, Fla., Edith Daves Satterwhite of Morganton, Lucille Harris of Elon College, M. Katherine Harris of Troy, S. C., Lena Spencer McCarley of Valdese, and Elizabeth and Grace Riley of Charleston, S. C.

Dr. Ellison M. Smith of the South Carolina department of education at Columbia made the commencement address. Speaking on the subject "Education could save democracy," Dr. Smith said that in our efforts to make education universal we have stressed the more-education idea, rather than a way-of-life-education idea. "We are strong for schooling," he said, "but very vague as to what the school should do." He said that there are so many pseudo-purposes of education in America today that education is primarily purposeless. In a world of conflicting ideologies, Dr. Smith told his audience that building a great democracy and clarifying ideologies is the work of education, of school teachers and professors. Of the three major ideologies facing the world today—fascism, communism, and democracy—Dr. Smith said that democracy is by far the vaguest and most intangible one. It is the ideology most likely to be misunderstood by the people of other nations, long accustomed to having their way of life blueprinted for them. Democracy, he said, is the least practiced by its followers of all the ideologies. In America we have only "followed the gleam." "We have taught democracy much, but we have practiced it little."

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Inspection Lane To Open Friday

The motor vehicle inspection lane will open at the former location near the Boone Demonstration school on September 3, and remain open for the inspection of motor vehicles under the State law until September 11. Roy Phillips, supervisor of the Boone lane, says that due to the congestion experienced at the lane it will be open on Labor Day. Mr. Phillips, in urging all motorists to comply with the law, asks that the following excerpts therefrom be published: 1. All motor vehicles of year models up to and including the year model 1936, and motor vehicles of the year models 1947 and 1948 shall be inspected on or before August 31, 1948. 2. All motor vehicles of the year models 1937 and 1946 shall be inspected on or before September 30, 1948. 3. All motor vehicles of the year models 1938, 1939, 1943, 1944, 1945 shall be inspected on or before October 31, 1948. 4. All motor vehicles of the year models 1940 and 1942 shall be inspected on or before November 30, 1948. 5. All motor vehicles of the year model 1941 and 1949 shall be inspected on or before December 31, 1948. In cases where cars do not carry the blue windshield sticker at expiration dates mentioned, arrests will be made and the offenders carried into court, Mr. Phillips says.

Draft Registration Is Now In Progress

All Youths Between Ages of 18 and 26 Must Register To Bolster Nation's Defense Forces; War-Time Draft Board Again Serves Here; The Registration Schedule Given.

Registration under the selective service act of 1948, began Monday, and the task of setting in motion the peace-time draft of local manpower, was assigned to those who constituted the war-time draft board here: Messrs V. C. Howell, J. E. Clay and D. B. Bingham.

5 FROM 1 FAMILY GIVEN DEGREES AT SAME TIME

Mr. I. J. Bingham, of Boone, veteran schoolmaster, and a leader in the cause of education in this area, had the unique and satisfying experience of seeing five members of his family receive college degrees at the same time last week.

Of a family of eight sons and daughters seven of them already have degrees, a son-in-law and daughter-in-law are college graduates, and the remaining daughter enters Appalachian this fall.

The most recent graduates are: Ira Bingham, who plans to follow engineering pursuits; Miss Viola Bingham, who is to teach at Burlington; Miss Flo Bingham, who has a civil service position in Washington, all of whom received degrees at Appalachian last Thursday. Mrs. Beatrice Amendola and her husband, Joe Amendola, received Master's Degrees at the University of North Carolina this summer. They are residents of Wattsburg, Pa., where she teaches and where her husband is employed by an electrical manufacturing concern.

Of the other children, Miss Virginia Bingham teaches in a school of culture in Washington; Miss Bonnie Bingham is at home pending the opening of Appalachian College this fall; Dr. Dewey Bingham, a dentist, and wife reside in Knoxville, Tenn.; and Miss Eddie Bingham teaches in the State of Montana.

All of the children came home for graduation exercises at Appalachian last week except Dr. Bingham.

Answering a question which is being often asked, local board members stated that registration in 1946 and 1947 under the act of 1940, has no effect on the present draft. Regardless of former registrations, it is explained, all males between the ages of 18 and 26 are now required to register.

Edwin Hahn Rites Are Held

Robert Edwin Hahn, 37, died on August 23rd at a Morganton hospital, and funeral services were conducted from the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hahn in Boone, August 25. The rites were conducted by Rev. S. B. Moss, of the Methodist church and interment was in the city cemetery.

In addition to the parents three sisters survive: Mrs. O. C. Canipe of Hickory; Mrs. Richard Brown, Winston-Salem; Mrs. John Wellborn, Boone. A half-brother, Eric Hahn of Amarillo, Texas, also survives.

U. S. refuses visa to "Red dean" of Canterbury, Dr. Johnson.

FARM BUREAU MAPS PLANS FOR MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

At a meeting of township leaders of the Watauga Farm Bureau, held Monday evening, initial plans were laid for an intensive membership campaign, ending September 25, with a county-wide meeting, at which time new officers are to be elected and plans mapped for the Bureau's program for the coming year. Clyde R. Greene, Farm Bureau president, presided at the gathering.

Mr. Dewitt Barnett was named chairman of the regular membership campaign and Mr. W. A. Smith, chairman of the associate membership effort.

During the campaign report meetings of workers will be held each Saturday at 3, at the county agent's office. The membership quota has been set at 425.

George Farthing, field representative of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, spoke at the meeting and gave some highlights in the history of the farm organization in the nation. He told how the Farm Bureau has grown to be the largest farm organization in the United States, with units in 45 states, and is now recognized in the legislative halls as the leading voice of agriculture. He said that the Farm Bureau is primarily responsible for the enactment of the far-reaching farm legislation of the past 15 years. Mr. Farthing stated that the Farm Bureau has worked since 1920 to secure adequate appropriations for the various agricultural agencies which have been established to serve the people. The speaker stated that during the last session of Congress the Bureau led the battle for a permanent price support program for all agricultural commodities, and came out victorious. Mr. Farthing concluded his address with the statement that the many benefits which farmers already have received and will continue to receive through the programs made possible by the Farm Bureau certainly merit the membership of every farmer in Watauga county, as well as in the nation as a whole.

Polio Quarantine Is Lifted Here

The first case of polio in two weeks has been reported to the local health department, and Dr. Len D. Hagaman, acting health officer, is of the opinion that the epidemic has spent itself in this area, and that it is now safe for children to follow their usual activities. Effective today, Dr. Hagaman, states the voluntary quarantine on the children is removed, and the kiddies, who have yielded to the very effective movement almost 100 per cent, may now move about in normal fashion, so far as the health department is concerned. The one new case, Pearl Potter, 10 years old, a resident of the North Fork section, has been taken to the Asheville Orthopaedic Home for treatment. The total for the county now stands at ten cases, with one fatality resulting. Test pilot leaps to safety before Thunderjet disintegrates.