

KING STREET

BY ROB RIVERS

VEGETABLE GARDENING time rolls around again and we are getting all set to lay a few spuds and onions in the garden about the middle of the week...

INCIDENTALLY, found out just why so many folks are interested in these calendars the Democrat passes out at the end of each year...

BOONE LIONS CLUB sponsoring talent show Friday, as a departure from the usual home-talent minstrel, which has been so popular in years gone by...

CITY MAIL delivery service is a fine thing, but cuts down the crowds at the postoffice every time an extension of the routes is secured...

THE UNCERTAIN GLORY of an April day... the whimsies of the spring time period, when life surges anew in the cold dank sod...

U. S. MAYORS CONFER IN WASHINGTON



Mayors and other officials of America's 250 largest cities heard President Truman give the 81st congress another tongue-lashing, at their 1949 annual conference in Washington.

L. H. Hollar Is Taken By Death

Mr. L. H. Hollar, prominent resident of Boone, died at the home Monday afternoon, following a stroke of paralysis, from which he never rallied.

New Facilities in Bluff Park Area

West Jefferson—A new coffee shop will be put in operation in the Bluff Park Area to provide added conveniences to sightseers along the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Army Reserve Unit Is Established Here

A local Army Reserve Unit has been established to serve the reservists and former army personnel of this area.

SPEAKER



D. HIDDEN RAMSEY

Commerce Group To Hear Ramsey

D. Hidden Ramsey, general manager of the Asheville Citizen-Times, a leading figure in the life of Western North Carolina, and a speaker of ability, will address the Boone Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting...

Red Cross Chapter Receives Citations

The Watauga Chapter of the American Red Cross has received a certificate of honor from national headquarters for "distinguished achievement in the 1949 Red Cross fund."

P. O. Receipts Gain In March

Receipts at the Boone post-office for the month of March indicated a gain of \$946.67 over March of 1948, it is revealed by Postmaster John E. Brown, Jr.

Winkler Again On Ad Committee

Mr. W. R. Winkler, of the Winkler Motor Co., has just returned from Charlotte where he has been in attendance at a meeting of the Ford dealer advertising committee...

Health Rally Dates Given

The Farm Bureau's plan to promote county-wide citizen interest in better health will continue next week with the mass meetings in another group of communities.

Mrs. Mary L. Baird Dies at Valle Crucis

Mrs. Mary Leona Baird, 75, died at the home in the Valle Crucis neighborhood on April 1, and funeral services were conducted on the third from the Valle Crucis Methodist Church...

Merchants Association Host To Employees

Approximately 125 persons attended the annual Boone Merchants Association employer-employee banquet at the College Cafeteria Thursday night.

Date Is Set for Teacher's Meeting

A county-wide teachers meeting will be held at the Boone High School April 30, at which time officers for the coming year will be elected and installed.

MAKE PLANS FOR CENSUS OF BUSINESS IN WATAUGA

Census Showing Business Life Of the County To Be Taken During the Month; District Supervisor Makes Plans To Launch Statistical Effort.

Preliminary arrangements for launching the nation-wide census of business in this district, which includes Watauga county and 11 other counties in this area, are under way this week according to Harry B. Moore, district supervisor of the Bureau of the Census...

Information on sales volumes, payrolls, principal merchandise lines, and other basic items about the country's distributive system will be collected for the first time in nearly a decade.

The district office in Statesville will be responsible for census work in the following counties: Alexander, Allegheny, Ashe, Caldwell, Catawba, Davie, Iredell, Rowan, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin.

Fish Released In Local Stream

In accordance with previously approved plans, the Wildlife Resources Commission has completed stocking of trout, averaging 7 to 10 inches in length in the waters of Howard's Creek...

Local Cattle In Hereford Sale

Four consignees to the Tri-State Hereford sale, which was held in Bristol, Va., Saturday, April 2, were Diamond S Ranch, Parkway Herford Farm, Finley Hodges & Son, all of Boone, and John Dugger, of Vilas.

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HEADS DRIVE



J. P. WINKLER

Cancer Effort Is Started Here

A goal of \$300.00 for Watauga county will be sought during the 1949 American Cancer Society fund-drive, which opened April 2, it was announced by Mr. J. Paul Winkler, chairman of the local ACS campaign committee.

The Society must select only the most promising among the hundreds of possible avenues which may eventually lead to a cancer cure. It seems a pity that some scientist who may hold a clue that could lead to the conquest of cancer will be unable to develop his research for lack of funds.

"I know that the people of Watauga county are going to accept this goal as a springboard. From there we can carry the 1949 drive along that extra mile that comes really from the heart."

Last year the American Cancer Society received a total of \$404.00 in Watauga county. The quota was \$300.00.

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ROUSSEAU TO PRESIDE AS SPRING COURT TERMS OPENS

One Week Term Superior Court Scheduled To Start April 25 for Trial Criminal Cases; 100 To Be Tried; List Of Jurors Is Released.

The spring term of Watauga Superior court will convene Monday, April 25th, with Judge J. A. Rousseau of North Wilkesboro, presiding, and Clerk of the Court Fred M. Gragg states that there will be about 100 criminal cases on the docket.

Under the terms of the bill passed by the Legislature recently, the spring term will be for the trial of criminal cases only, and will last for one week. Mr. Gragg states, however, that likely motions will be heard during the term, and perhaps uncontested divorce cases tried.

There are twenty cases of operating automobiles while under the influence of whiskey, a number of cases of violating the prohibition laws, larceny, and breaking and entering. Mr. Gragg states that there is a decrease this term in the number taken for driving while intoxicated.

The names of those selected for jury duty are as follows: Boone: C. A. Price, D. M. Edmisten, I. T. Barnett. Brushy Fork: B. W. Stallings, J. B. Cannon, Pink Hodges. Bald Mountain: Ron Davis, W. S. Miller.

Blue Ridge: W. G. Coffey, Elmer Miller. Blowing Rock: S. C. Greene, Roy Hartley, Leon Coffey. Beaver Dam: Roy Anderson, Marshall Edmisten, Sanford Creed. Cove Creek: Odus Wilson, John Hensoff, Ed S. Williams. Elk: Wesley W. Randall. Laurel Creek: Dwight Cable, Howard Simpson. North Fork: Frank Baumgardner.

New River: Finley P. Hodges, H. Grady Farthing. Meat Camp: Hubert S. Norris, O. G. Wineberger, John T. Ragan. Shawneehaw: Ed Chappell, Mont Glover. Stony Fork: Hamp Blackburn, Arthur G. Moretz, Grant Greene. Watauga: I. D. Shull, R. A. Farthing, T. C. Baird.

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From Cove Creek High School came Joyce Madren, Shirley Madren, Mary Belle Campbell, Bable Danner, Carleen Perry, Betty Conley, students, and Miss Cynthia Stiles, faculty member.

Joan Phillips, Kathrina Vannoy, and Nancy Grayvill represented West Jefferson High School.

Miss Jean Reynolds of the Appalachian High School, Boone, brought the following students: Dickson Qualls, Joe Ann Hartley, Barbara Bingham, Ramona Jones, Bill Crawford, Dopey Rogers, Fairy Hodges, Lawrence Barden, Barbara Jones, Joanne Aldridge, V. J. Moretz, and Lawrence Phillips.

The program for the day consisted of instruction in various folk dances, various types of square dances, and modern dance. Mrs. Joy Kirchner, Mrs. Cleone Hodges, Miss Gail Clay, Miss Babe Warren, and Mr. G. F. Kirchner directed the program.

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