

Boone Churches Will Observe Reformation

Boone churches will worship together in a Union Service at Grace Lutheran Church Sunday night in an observance of the Protestant Reformation. Professor H. R. Greenhold, head of the History Department at Lenoir Rhyne College in Hickory will be the guest speaker for the occasion.

Ministers of various churches will participate in the Union Service which is in charge of the Ministerial Association.

This service will commemorate the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. All Protestantism looks to this period of religious history as the modern beginning of their beliefs, when Christian leaders led the urgings of their consciences to break away from practices in the church of that day which they considered contrary to the true worship of God in spirit.

The date of October 31 for Reformation Day is in observance of the posting of the famous Ninety Five Theses on the church door in Wittenburg, Germany by Martin Luther. This date marks the beginning of the actual successful challenge to the practices of that time which were corrupt.

Almost all the churches with which the average inhabitant of this area stem from the Reformation movement which is observed in this season.

Professor Greenhold is considered eminently qualified in Reformation history. He is a graduate of Gettysburg Theological Seminary and holds the doctorate degree in history from the University of Chicago.

NEWS ABOUT OUR Servicemen



PFC. RONDA L. WOODRING, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Woodring, of Boone, Route 2, who is in Tokyo, Japan. He has been in the army for two years and left the States in December. He recently telephoned his parents from Tokyo, and they were able to understand with perfect clarity. His address is: Pfc. Ronda L. Woodring US 53 135 222 Co. H 8th Cav. Regt. APO 201, Care Postmaster San Francisco, Calif.

Two Wataugans Now At Berea

Berea, Ky.—The Berea College registrar, Miss Adelaide Gundlach, this week announced that there are two students from Watauga county enrolled at Berea for the fall term. She listed them as Dexter Byrd, Valle Crucis; James Greer, Boone. The Berea enrollment has increased markedly this year. A total of 1,510 students are registered for the first semester.

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Billions in Losses Caused by Rats

It's Easy to Control Rats and Mice with Modern Methods and Materials.

Handy Check List for Getting Rid of Rats

Now, before the weather turns cold, is an excellent time to get rid of destructive, disease-spreading rats on farms and in homes. A brief campaign can put an end to the ravages of these enemies. This handy check list will help you learn the extent of your rat and mouse problem, then guide you, step by step, to complete, permanent control.

- Rat Detection** (check signs noted)
- Damaged sacks of grain?
 - Visible rat tracks?
 - "Swing marks" on the wall?
 - "Rub marks" on sacks or steps?
 - Droppings visible?
 - Burrows near foundation?

- Sanitation**
- Good sanitation removes all protection for hiding and underground breeding. (Check items as you correct them):
 - Remove all brush piles.
 - Clean up all junk piles.
 - Store lumber and firewood on racks at least one foot off the ground.
 - Put metal covers on garbage cans and pits.

- Ratproofing**
- Though often expensive, metal, concrete, and other materials will keep rats out of corn cribs, granaries, warehouses, and homes. Helpful bulletins on this control measure are available from the local health officer or county agent. Ratproofing is recommended for use when:
 - Building containing food material is accessible to rats.
 - Interior of building has "dead spaces" where rats may hide (double walls, staircases, etc.)



Place bait for rats and mice before cold weather sets in, experts advise.

- Placing Rat Bait**
- Outstanding among the modern rat and mouse baits is warfarin, a powerful chemical discovered at the University of Wisconsin. Warfarin is a slow killer and does not cause "bait shyness"; no tolerance is developed; it may be purchased as a concentrate, as a ready-mixed food bait, or in a new water soluble form; and it is relatively safe to use. Check the following steps when you use warfarin:
 - Place containers filled with warfarin bait or warfarinized water in all areas where there is noticeable rat activity.
 - For excellent baiting success, use both warfarin food bait and warfarinized water—side by side.
 - Protect warfarin bait and warfarinized water with nailed boards or bait boxes.
 - Keep bait stations amply supplied for at least 14 days.
 - Kill weak or faltering rats; burn or bury carcasses.
 - Set up a few permanent bait stations in areas of greatest activity to kill newcomers and control reinfestation.
 - Put rat control on your autumn schedule now. Follow these simple steps and, sooner than you ever thought possible, your premises will be rat-free.

Fruit Cake Recipe

Christmas may still be a couple of months away, but it's time now to make your seasonal fruit cakes if you want them to be properly aged.

Fruit cakes make wonderful gifts for friends and neighbors, so making them now will help to simplify the actual gift shopping you'll have to do later.

One of the newer ideas for fruit cake gifts is the one-pound loaf. You'll find it much easier to slice and even so much simpler to wrap than the traditional giant round fruit cake.

Here's a recipe for light fruit cake offered by Virginia Wilson, State College extension nutritionist.

Light Fruit Cake

Irrigating after harvest fills the soil reservoir for crops next season, starts your crop growing earlier, produces larger yield, helps winter cover, greatly improves the soil, uses fall labor, and may reduce the size of irrigation system you need all year.

- 1 cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup sugar
- 5 eggs
- 2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon each salt, cloves, nutmeg and mace
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 lb. finely cut citron
- 1/4 lb. finely cut orange peel
- 1 lb. candied cherries sliced
- 1 lb. seedless raisins.
- 1 lb. currants
- 3 cups almonds or pecans sliced
- 1/2 cup fruit juice

Cream the butter and sugar together. Add one egg at a time and beat each in thoroughly. Sift 1 cup of flour with the salt and spices, then add to the creamed mixture alternately with the fruit juice. Sprinkle the other cup of flour over the fruits and nuts that have been thoroughly mixed together. Add these to the cake mixture. Pour into two 9 x 5 inch loaf pans or one 10 inch tube pan lined with heavy paper well greased. Bake in slow oven (275 degree) for three hours. When cold, wrap in waxed paper or aluminum foil and store in a tin box.

A \$67,000,000 construction program to expand uranium-producing facilities has been announced by the Atomic Energy Commission. Rays from the sun's corona are said to provide an accurate forecast of weather coming on earth from five to seven days later.

STATEMENT
ATLANTIC MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
Savannah, Georgia
Condition December 31, 1953, as Sown by Statement Filed

Income—From Policyholders	\$2,243,803.20
Miscellaneous	\$ 184,068.44
Total	\$2,427,871.64
Disbursements—To Policyholders	\$ 865,180.25
Miscellaneous	\$1,377,691.39
Total	\$2,030,218.13

Bonds	\$2,039,885.30
Stocks	792,955.80
Mortgage loans on real estate	362,183.40
Cash and bank deposits	1,092,779.11
Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	376,532.93
Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	8,540.81
All other assets as detailed in statement	86,610.33
Total admitted assets	\$4,759,267.68

Losses unpaid	\$ 69,186.13
Taxes, licenses and fees (excluding Federal income taxes)	6,918.61
Underwriting	\$25,236.75
Unearned premiums	25,236.75
Dividends declared and unpaid: (b) Policyholders	1,453.23
Funds held by company under reinsurance treaties	75,592.21
All other liabilities, as detailed in statement	4,056.05
Total liabilities	\$2,409,831.74
Special surplus funds	\$ 200,000.00
Guaranty Fund	500,000.00
Unassigned funds (surplus)	1,649,435.94
Surplus as regards policyholders	2,349,435.94
Total	\$4,759,267.68

Business in North Carolina During 1953

Line of Business	Net Premiums	Net Losses Incurred
Fire	\$275,000	\$75,066
Extended coverage	56,990	8,744
Torn, wind, cyc., hail (except growing crops)	35	148
Sprinkler and water damage	5,490	82
Auto phys. damage	7,785	2,470
Glass	345,449	\$86,362
TOTAL	\$345,449	\$86,362

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Attorney for service: Commissioner of Insurance, Raleigh, N. C.
NORTH CAROLINA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, Raleigh, June 24th, 1954
I, CHAS. F. GOLD, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Atlantic Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Savannah, Ga., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1953.
Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.
CHARLES F. GOLD, Commissioner of Insurance.

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Questions And Answers On Farm Problems

QUESTION: How can I get the most benefit out of a few inches of rain?

ANSWER: There are a number of farming practices that help hold water and make it soak in the soil. Some of these practices are: contour cultivation, terracing, planting cover crops of green manure crops, chiseling or basin cultivation, and stubble mulching.

QUESTION: Does the use of light in laying houses lower the hatchability of eggs?

ANSWER: No. Contrary to popular belief, the use of lights does not lower hatchability or the strength of the chicks.

QUESTION: Should I irrigate after harvest?

ANSWER: Experts say yes; that

ACE To Hold Meeting Friday

The Association for Childhood Education will meet Friday, October 29, at 7:30 o'clock in the Appalachian Elementary School Building. Mrs. Tracy Council, North Carolina A.C.E. treasurer, will give a few highlights of the 1954 A.C.E. International Conference which was held in Kansas City.

A. C. E. members are urged to be present and all teachers of the county are invited to hear Mrs. Council and to see the new building.

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