



CHRISTMAS COURT—Queen Nancy Steelman and her court reigned over the Christmas dance at Appalachian State Teachers College Saturday night. Sponsored by the Vernicians club, the music was furnished by Dick Triwarthan's Mark VI Combo from Western Caro-

lina College. Miss Steelman is from Booneville. Her court was made up of Johnnie Ellis (not shown), a senior from Advance; Cynthia Cook, of Charlotte; Edna Hudson of Hickory; Sarah Lytton, of Long Island, N. Y.; Kay Warren, Statesville; and Faye Davis of Statesville.

Freezing Gales Bring Mercury Down To -4

King Weather paid a frigid call on Boone and environs the first of the week, plummeting the mercury to four below zero by Tuesday morning, and leaving snow and ice and chilling winds.

By noon Tuesday mercury had risen to ten degrees, the wind was receding and clear skies gave promise of more clement weather.

Sunday's rains changed into sleet in late afternoon, and soon the driving wind was filled with snow. By Monday morning the temperature had dropped to 11 degrees, but rose to 37 during the day, before plunging to the sub-zero mark.

Records kept by Joe Minor, of the U. S. Weather Bureau here, indicate that the four below was the coldest time we have had, certainly colder than at any time during last winter, when the low is shown to have been one below on March 5.

Roads were slippery Monday morning, and traffic was hindered to some extent, but highway crews got the sand trucks to moving right away and the most dangerous places were treated. Later in the day the one-inch of snow had vanished from the most traveled roads, and travel moved normally.

Youth Club Has Meeting

The Timbered Ridge Youth Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer May's Wednesday night. The meeting was called to order and began with devotional reading which was selected from Psalms. The club is cooperating in the community projects which is of great interest. The club was organized June 15, 1956, and has accomplished many things of interest in the community.

The new business which was discussed was electing new officers. They are as follows: President, Wiley Tester; vice-president, Kenneth May; secretary, Shirley Smithman; treasurer, Gene Tester; song leader, piano player, Mozella Matheson; reporter, Beacher Matheson; refreshments, Joe May; recreation, Jo Ann Hicks.

Clyde Moretz Elected In Soil District Balloting In Watauga

December 5-10 was soil conservation district election week in Watauga County. The voters in the county have chosen Clyde Moretz for a three year term to begin January 1, 1961. The response from the eligible voters in the county was quite gratifying to the supervisors, and they wish to express appreciation to all who participated.

Soil Conservation District supervisors occupy a position of public office and public trust. As a member of the local board, Mr. Moretz will assist in program planning, policy making and the carrying out of a soil and water conservation program for Watauga Soil Conservation District. Members of the district board will meet regularly with agricultural agency representatives and others interested in this important program. District supervisors are non-salaried officials, serving the district, state and nation in this important role largely at their own expense

and without compensation in the form of salary.

The Watauga District is a subdivision of the N. C. State government, organized under the provisions of the General Statutes of North Carolina. As such, supervisors and districts have a responsibility to the people of the district. Many individuals, agencies and other groups supply assistance of one form or another. Conservation goals and objectives are set up each year. District supervisors are your elected representatives to coordinate the various aspects of this program.

Other supervisors in Watauga County are: Tom Jackson and Sanford Creed.

COSTLY HUNT
- Easton, Md.—Two Talbot county hunters recently paid \$112.40 for one illegally killed cottontail. The pair were guilty of hunting at night and out of season. Each was fined \$28.10 on each count.

High School Writer Sought

Greensboro.—A statewide search for high school literary talent has been resumed by the North Carolina English Teachers Association. Restricted to the writings of 11th and 12 graders done since last January, the winning materials will be published in the student issue of the "North Carolina English Teacher," about April 1.

The issue chairman is Dr. Amy Charles, of Woman's College English Department, to whom manuscripts should be mailed by midnight, January 14, 1961.

Dr. Charles announces that entry blanks can be secured by supervising teachers by post card request to NCETA, Box 1050, Chapel Hill.

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