

# Electrical Week Being Noted In This Vicinity

This week—National Electrical Week—marks the 116th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, the one-time newsboy who brought electricity out of the laboratory and into practical use for the benefit of mankind. Tom Edison, who worked untiringly to develop the first practical electric light bulb and the equipment needed to bring it into the homes of America, founded an industry that has become one of the nation's largest and most vital. It's an industry that has put the magic of electricity to work—To light homes . . . Preserve and cook our food . . . Wash

our clothes . . . Power our factories . . . Bring us news and entertainment . . . Protect our health . . . and serve us in a thousand ways that contribute to the strength and prosperity of the nation. The Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation of this vital industry . . . and it is proud to be a member proud to join with the other members of the industry across the nation in paying tribute to the memory of Thomas Edison, whose spirit of constant seeking for new and better ways to use the magic of electricity still guides electrical progress.

# Burley Planting To Be About Same As In '62

Watauga county farmers for the most part will be able to plant the same acreage of burley tobacco for 1963 as for the 1962 crop, according to Vaughn Tugman, chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee. The factor for North Carolina is "1.00."

The national marketing quota for the 1963 crop is 599.4 million pounds compared with a quota of 571.8 million pounds for the 1962 crop. Converting the acreage on the basis of average per acre yields during the past five years, the quota makes available for allotment for 1963 a total of 348,890 acres. This compares with 348,781 acres available for allotment in 1962.

The North Carolina allotment for 1963, according to Tugman, is 11,490 acres compared with last year's allotment of 11,488 acres.

In a referendum held last February, marketing quotas were approved by North Carolina farmers for the 1962, 1963, and 1964 burley crop by 99.6 percent of the growers voting.

Burley farmers will have their 1963 crop supported at near 90 percent of parity, provided they plant within their acreage allotment and otherwise comply with the program. The total acreage planted in the county was 865 acres, according to Tugman.

# Veit Goes To Moose School

Mr. Joseph V. Veit, secretary of the local Moose Lodge, will attend the Moose Administration School for Lodge Secretaries February 16 and 17 at Charlotte. A staff of Moose officials from Moosehart, Ill., headed by Supreme Secretary, Carl A. Weis, will be in charge.

# Broyhill Chosen To Address Ind. Republicans

Congressman James T. Broyhill of North Carolina's 9th Congressional District will make the principal address at the annual Lincoln Day Dinner February 12 at Rensselaer, Indiana. The dinner, jointly sponsored by the Jasper County Women's Republican Club and the Newton County Central Committee, will be held in the hometown of Rep. Charles A. Halleck, Republican Leader of the House of Representatives.

Broyhill, now serving in his first term in the House and the second Republican in the North Carolina delegation, announced that he would speak on "Dynamic Republicanism Today." He indicated his pleasure at receiving the invitation from the Indiana group, stating that "it will provide an opportunity to convey the new spirit of the Republican Party in the South to an area long noted for its loyalty to Republican principles."

Rep. Halleck expressed satisfaction that Broyhill will appear in his hometown, calling the North Carolina freshman "one of the outstanding young men to come to the House of Representatives this year."

# CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ruppard of Clarendon, N. C., would like to thank all of their friends and neighbors who helped them during the time when their house burned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruppard. President Kennedy irritated by De Gaulle's accusation that U.S. cannot be depended upon.



LARRY VAUGHN

# Insurance Man

Larry Vaughn, 25 years of age, has joined the staff of Sturdivant Life. He is a student at ASTC. His home is Kannapolis.

Larry graduated from A. L. Brown High School, Kannapolis, and worked at Cannon Mills until he took a position as manager of trainees for F. W. Woolworth Co. After 2 years with Woolworth he decided to complete his education. He enrolled at Charlotte College, and later came to ASTC the winter term of 1959. He plans to graduate this summer.

Larry is majoring in business education and is a member of the Scholastic Business Fraternity (Phi Omega Pi), also a member of the varsity tennis team at ASTC.

# Former Ashe Official Dies

West Jefferson, Feb. 9.—Vernon C. Lillard, 78, of Jefferson died at 3 a. m. yesterday at Carolina Rest Home in Wilkesboro. He had been in ill health for about a year.

Lillard was on the board of directors of the Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corp. for several years and was a former Ashe County commissioner. He was employed by the State Highway Commission for eight years.

He was born in Tennessee to Newton and Carolina Worth Lillard and was a member of the Woodmen of the World and a veteran of the Army and Navy.

He was a member of Jefferson Methodist Church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Annie Hamilton Lillard, and a brother, Jim Lillard of Elkin. The funeral was conducted at 2 p. m. Saturday at Badger Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. John Christy. Burial was in the Hamilton cemetery.

Gas line breaks leaving 25,000 residents of Sedalia, Mo. without heat as mercury dips to zero.

# ASCS Seeks To Improve Program Administration

Each county farm program office in North Carolina is being asked "what steps need to be taken to improve service to farmers and program administration?" A. P. Hassell, Jr., Executive Director for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation State committee, said today.

"County committeemen, county office managers, and farmer fieldmen are to evaluate the work and service in each ASCS office," Hassell said.

"The benefits are expected to be in the form of better, fast-

er service for farmers," Hassell continued, "and to make sure that the public business is kept in public view."

Training programs for committeemen and employees in 1963 will be based largely on needs identified in this self-study of county ASCS offices.

The ASCS Service has begun an extensive program to improve service and management efficiency. All employees have been asked for their suggestions on how to better do specific jobs.

In accord with recommenda-

tions of the citizens committee which has just completed a study of the farmer committee system, Hassell said, a major effort will be made in 1963 to encourage more farmers to take part in the election of ASCS committeemen.

Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman has announced that the farmer committee system will continue to be the farm program field force and that it will be strengthened as recommended by the citizens committee.

# JUNKET CURB SOUGHT

The House Rules Committee is trying to impose a junket curb on other House committees.

At the suggestion of Representative Smith (D., Va.), the non-traveling committee has worked out, subject to approval of the House itself, a proposal that would both limit and spotlight spending by House members who travel abroad.

The funds have been handed out rather liberally in recent years by the State Department and there has been a suspicion that they have not always been spent wisely.

# Rescue Squad To Serve Supper

The Watauga Emergency and Rescue Squad is sponsoring a barbecue chicken supper on February 23, at the Appalachian Elementary School Cafeteria. The supper will begin at 5 p. m.

If you do not wish to eat the barbecue chicken at the cafeteria it will be packed for you to carry out. The price of the supper is \$1.25.



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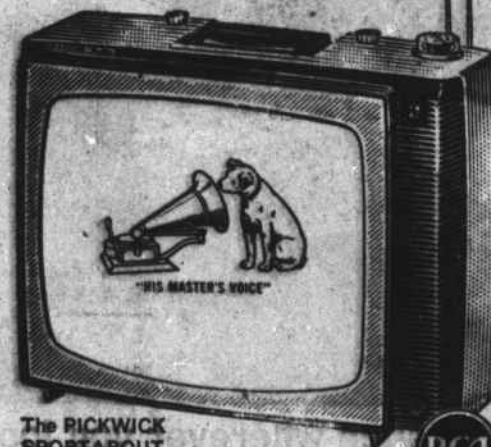


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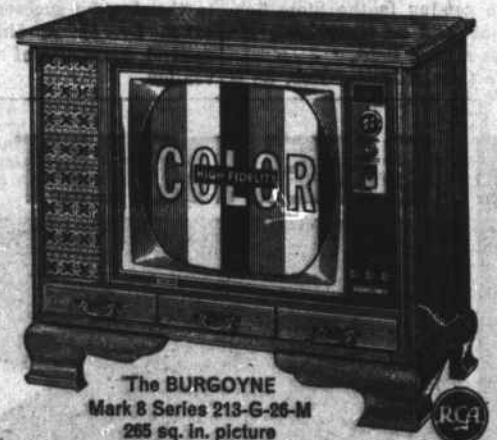
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