

What A Difference A Day Makes . . .



24 LITTLE HOURS.—One of the earliest written accounts of travel in Watauga county was made by Bishop A. G. Spangenberg in 1752 on which occasion he and his party experienced a sudden snow storm, followed the next morning by bright cheerful sunshine. Watauga has been known through the



ensuing centuries as the place of suddenly changing weather. So it was Sunday as a sports-car enthusiast toured the Blue Ridge Parkway a few miles outside of Boone, enjoying a cloudless sky and unusually warm temperatures (left photo). But come Monday morning, Watauga county slipped back

into the clutches of Old Man Winter as two inches of snow fell in the area (right photo). Tuesday, a heavy spring rain drenched the area with additional inches of precipitation. As for tomorrow, who can say?—Gaddy photos.

Four ASTC Seniors Do Teaching At Hi School

Four ASTC seniors have assumed their duties as student teachers at the Appalachian High School.

Working with Mr. J. E. Wilson, Jr. in chorus and general music is Miss Susie Ford. Miss Ford, a general music major, is from Cramerton, where she lived with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Ford. In Boone, Miss Ford resides at 404 East Howard Street. After graduation in May she plans to teach. While at ASTC she was president of Music Educators of North Carolina and president of the new wing in East Hall. She has also been a member of the chorus, chorale, band, and orchestra.

Mrs. Betty Leonard Fowler, who is doing her student teaching with Miss Mary Schell, is majoring in physical education and social studies. Originally from Thomasville, she and her husband, Bill Fowler, now live at 301 Hardin Street in Boone. Mrs. Fowler has received many honors during her college days at ASTC. Some of these include chief majorette, a member of the Christmas court, a member of Vernieian Society, listed in Who's Who Among Students in Colleges and Universities, Miss Thomasville, a member of the band, and others. She has also been the recipient of several baton twirling honors. After graduation in May, Mrs. Fowler plans to teach.

Paul Dellinger of Newton is a student teacher with Miss Louise Hurd and Mr. Harlan Ledford. He is majoring in business and will graduate from ASTC this spring. He will be teaching general business and typing I and II. He plans to obtain employment in industry after graduation. His college activities include football for four years, basketball for two years, and the presidency of Newland Hall. He has also served for four years in the Marine Corps. He resides at 223 Orchard Stret in Boone with his wife, the former Miss Kathryn Warren of Statesville.

Mr. Frank Childress will be and ten grandchildren. The funeral was conducted at 2 p. m. Monday at Three Forks Baptist Church by the Rev. Cliff Sumney and the Rev. Reeves Jones. Burial was in the Osborne cemetery.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N.C. HIGHWAYS

Raleigh—The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a.m. Monday, March 4, 1963:

Killed to date 169
Killed to date last year . . . 161

Federal Government will operate mixed schools at six southern military bases this year.

Faculty Profile



MRS. BETTY JEAN HUGHES
By BECKY RUSSELL

member of the Oak Grove Baptist Church, where she is organist and pianist, adult Sunday School teacher, and Circle Chairman.

Among her activities at Appalachian High School, Mrs. Hughes is sponsor of the Appalachian High-Life, a junior class sponsor, a member of the Professional Growth Committee, and chairman of the school publicity committee. She is also a member of the NCEA, NEA, and North Carolina English Teachers' Association.

Mrs. Hughes is well-liked and respected both as a teacher and as a friend to all. During her free moments, she is most commonly found in her office "counseling" her present and former students. Quote Mrs. Hughes: "I love to teach school."

THE PLANET VENUS

Space agency scientists have disclosed findings of the Mariner II space probe which flew by Venus the earth's twin sister and nearest planetary neighbor last December.

According to the report Venus has a temperature of about 800 degrees Fahrenheit and the clouds that surround it may consist of a kind of oily smog.

This temperature would rule out any future attempts to land men on Venus unless some new form of shielding is developed.

U. S. disarmament chief in Geneva on another A-ban try.

State Patrol Gets Airplane

Lenoir, April 9.—One of two airplanes used by the State Highway Patrol to watch for traffic law violators was put to use for a short time Friday afternoon in Caldwell county.

Sgt. C. M. Jones said strong winds prevented the plane staying in the air as long as planned.

The plane carries an observer who clocks with a stopwatch the time it takes a vehicle to travel between two white lines painted on the highway. By this method, the speed of the vehicle can be determined.

The plane keeps radio contact with a patrol car on the ground, tells the car of a violation and keeps the violator in sight until the patrol car makes contact with the vehicle. The observer in the plane also watches for other violations in addition to speeding.

Jones said no motorists were charged with speeding as a result of the plane's activity Friday, but that two persons were cited for running a stop sign.

The patrol plane will be used in Caldwell county again Friday, Jones said.

The patrol has one plane for the eastern section of the state and another for the western section. The western section plane, which was used Friday, is based in Asheville.

Sixth Graders Appear In Piano Demonstration

Robert Melton and Gray Wilson, sixth grade students at Appalachian Elementary school, recently presented a demonstration of the piano for Mr. Wilson's General Music class at Appalachian High School.

The demonstration included discussion of types of pianos; construction; how tone is produced; the function of the pedals, strings, and hammers; and the flexibility of the instrument.

Following their discussion, the boys entertained the class by playing three numbers each. Robert Melton played selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein's "South Pacific," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Out of My Hair," "Some Enchanted Evening", and "There is Nothing Like a Dame." Gary Wilson's selections were "For the Blessing of Our Days", "Welsh Hymn," "Kitten on the Keys", and a jazz number.

Ashe Minister In Fatal Fall

West Jefferson.—The Rev. Joseph Walter McCoy, 55, a Methodist minister of Creston, was killed about 5:30 p. m. Friday, in an accident in his barn, the Ashe County Sheriff's Department said.

The report said an investigation showed McCoy fell through the barn loft into some twin hanging on a wall below and that he was strangled.

He was born in Ashe county to Thomas and Ada Osborne McCoy. He was a farmer as well as a minister.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Goldie Graybeal McCoy; six sons, Walter Thomas McCoy of Metuchen, N. J., Herbert and Joseph McCoy, both of Tamarack, Donald Gray McCoy of Carteret, N. J., Larry McCoy of Fig, and DeForest McCoy of Creston; a daughter, Mrs. June Ella Rash of Booneville, Calif.; three brothers, Don, Paul, and Glenn McCoy, all of Creston;

His mother found him calmly blowing the horn of the stalled car. The tot had taken the keys from the kitchen, gotten in the car, started the motor, shifted into gear and drove away.

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