

Wataugans At Work



GROCERY CASHIER.—Miss Mary Hazel Wall of Route 1, Vilas, has been a cashier at the Winn-Dixie Store in Boone for the past three years. Joining the local division of the chain store shortly before her graduation from Cove Creek High School in 1960,

Miss Walls estimates that she serves "about 300" customers each day in her one check-out line, alone. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Walls, she is engaged to be married later this year. Miss Walls is a member of the Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church.

Elementary School News

Nine student teachers from Appalachian State Teachers College have begun teaching assignments at the Elementary School for the spring quarter. Student teachers are listed first, followed by their home town, grade level, and supervising teacher.

Mrs. Carole Stafford Cook, Black Mountain, grade one, Miss Elizabeth Putnam.

Miss Betsy Hope Lee, Shelby, grade two, Mrs. Ruth Laxton. Mrs. Joan Hampton, Boone, grade three, Mrs. Bess Crawford.

Miss Sandra E. Snyder, Charlotte, grade four, Mrs. Jimmie Owen.

Miss Carol Ann Benn, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., grade four, Miss Ruby Lanier.

Mrs. Martha Ervin Hollar, Newton, grade five, Mrs. Grace Buckland.

Mrs. Louise Deal, North Wilkesboro, grade six, Mr. Robert Blazier.

Miss Marsha Williams, Graham, library, Mrs. Jessie Pease. Miss Anna Sue Ford, Cranston, General Music, Mrs. Gaynelle Wilson.

Attend NCEA Meeting
A number of teachers attended the North Carolina Education Association meetings held in Asheville Thursday and Friday of last week. Representing the Elementary School were Mrs. Bess Crawford, Mrs. Mary High, Mrs. Louise Norton, Mrs. Ruth Laxton, and Miss Ruby Lanier.

Pre-School Roundup Is Planned

Since spring is now here, we have a beautiful garden ready to view soon—our 400 or more pre-schoolers who will be first graders next fall. In their gay prints, "buttons and bows" they soon will be attending Pre-School Round-Ups to get acquainted with new friends and new surroundings as a step toward enrolling in the school of their community.

The Round-Up is held mainly to help your child get acquainted with the school, the teacher, and the other children regardless of where they get their physical examination. Certain legal requirements will be met long before time for school to begin, going back to infancy. Dr. Mary Michal, local health director, points out that North Carolina State law requires, Art. 9, Sec. 130-87, that all children must be immunized against whooping cough, diphtheria, and tetanus before one year of age and smallpox before attending school. Later, Sec. 130-93.1 requires immunization against polio between 2 months and 6 years.

Basic immunization, including smallpox should be completed

before one year of age, after which booster doses (at certain intervals), are necessary to keep immunity good—smallpox every 5 to 7 years, diphtheria-tetanus every 3 to 5 years and polio every 2 years.

The child over 1 year of age reacts more severely to immunizing procedures, especially smallpox, than the younger infant. Also an older child is more apt to have some skin condition requiring the smallpox vaccination to be delayed, and will also be apt to scratch and spread the infection from the vaccination site. Most private physicians advise starting immunizations at the age of 2 to 3 months.

Dr. Michal states that it is most important that each pre-school child be given a complete physical examination preferably by the family physician and also a check-up by his dentist. The family physician who has been supplied with the examination forms, is best equipped to examine the pre-school child as he is in a position to know the child's past history of health and illnesses and the family history. Dr. Michal will only examine

those at the Health Department who are financially unable to go to the private physician.

W. Guy Angell, Watauga county superintendent of schools, in announcing Pre-School Round-Ups beginning April 23, is calling attention to the state law requiring a child to be immunized fully against whooping cough, diphtheria, tetanus, polio and smallpox before entering school.

Starting school is a big event in any child's life. For this experience he should be in as good mental and physical health as possible. Many resources are ready to help the parents of children needing medical and dental corrections.

Dr. Michal and Mr. Angell

urge parents to get the necessary examinations and then take care of corrections and immunizations this spring and early summer to assure the child's readiness in the fall. Working together we can tend this garden of lovely flowers that they may grow and glow.

About two-thirds of all women's suits manufactured in 1960 were made out of wool.

Estimated losses due to diseases cost North Carolina flue-cured tobacco farmers 8.29 per cent of their crop in 1959. In 1962 this was cut to 3.35 per cent or \$18 million as compared to \$33.9 million in 1959.

Chamber Of Commerce News

By H. W. WILCOX, President Jimmy Holshouser, our Representative at Raleigh, is doing a wonderful job. He is well liked, and making many friends that means much to this entire area. He has been named to the following committees:

Appropriations, Commissions and Institutions for the Blind, Counties, Cities and Towns, Courts and Judicial Districts, Education, Enrolled Bills (Joint), Health, Higher Education, Highway Education, Judiciary Number 1, and Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Holshouser has introduced in the House a bill to rebuild the Daniel Boone Theatre, make certain repairs, etc., in the amount of \$22,500.00. He has secured excellent support to this bill. Our fine friend and Senator, Ira T. Johnston, has pledged his every support, along with many other influential Democrats in the eastern part of the state.

Lions Honored
For perhaps the first time, District 31B, which our local Lions Club is in, will have one of the most outstanding meetings in Morganton. They will have as the speaker an international man of reputation who was at one time before he was sent to Washington, the personal counsellor to Gen. DeGaulle. The speaker is the Honorable Gerard de la Villesbrunne, Counselor of the French Embassy in Washington.

The Boone Lions Club has some very outstanding leaders in the field of Lions International. Dr. D. J. Whitener, Professor A. R. Smith and Richard E. Kelley are Lions International counselors.

Herman W. Wilcox is serving at present Zone Chairman of District I which includes Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany and Wilkes counties. W. Guy Angell is the present president of the Boone club.

The evening banquet will be held in Morganton April 9. Lion

C. A. Price has a limited number of tickets available.

INSURANCE TAX OPPOSED

Two life insurance industry spokesmen urged Congress recently to reject proposals that would increase taxes affecting certain insurance plans.

Charles A. Siegfried, chief actuary of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, attacked especially the proposal to assess income taxes on the value of group life insurance bought by employers for employees.

Reliable sources say President Kennedy has decided on Rofar Hillsman as successor to Averall Harriman as assistant secretary of state for Far Eastern Affairs. Hillsman, 43, chief of intelligence and research for the State Department, is a West Point graduate.

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