

# Wataugans At Work



**PRINTER**—Bill Rush, a native of Wilkes county, is nearing his 30th year of continuous service with the Watauga Democrat as a printer. Married to the former Miss Daisy Adams of Boone, Rush has four children: William Eugene, California; Mrs. Francis Evelyn Younce, Sherwood; Eddy, Boone; and

Denise Elaine, of the home. Rush joined the Democrat in September of 1933 and has witnessed the growth of the paper from a hand-fed press to automation. Rush does various types of job work, advertising, and printing.

# Senior Prom Is Held At Appalachian High

The Appalachian High School Junior Class entertained the Senior class of 1963 at a formal dance Saturday night from 8 to 12 o'clock. The prom was held in the elementary school gymnasium.

Also included among those present were guests of both juniors and seniors; faculty members and their guests; members of the local school board; and parents of the junior and senior class officers. Approximately 175 persons attended.

The theme for the evening's gaiety was "Stairway to the Stars." The motif was carried out in the decorations on the steps leading to the gymnasium and then throughout the gymnasium itself.

Overhead was the sky, filled with stars which shimmered and glittered under the colored spotlight which provided lighting for the dance. Stars, drawings of angels, and white, yellow and blue angel hair were used profusely on the walls. Clouds made of cardboard and Kleenex were hung overhead.

The guests were seated at tables arranged around the dance floor. The centerpiece for each table consisted of a white candle in a star-shaped holder surrounded by angel hair which had been sprinkled with star glitter.

Walters and waitresses were dressed in costumes representing angels, complete with wings and halos. The motif was carried out in the refreshments also, with punch, nuts, mints, and small star or moon shaped cookies being served.

Music was provided for the occasion by a Negro band from Lenoir.

Junior class officers are Martha Moretz, president; Johnny Stacy, vice president; Barbara Hodges, secretary-treasurer; and Kate Peterson, Mrs. Betty J. Sam Adams, reporter.

Faculty sponsors are Miss Hughes, Mr. Bill Ross, and Mr. Bill Gregg.

# Terry L. Kirby Funeral Held

Terry Lee Kirby, three month old son of Nannie Kirby and Christine Snyder Kirby of Rt. 1, Reese, died April 26 in Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 28, at 2 p. m. at Beaver Dam Baptist Church with Rev. Carl Wilson and Rev. Vaughn Greene officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving in addition to the parents is one brother, Dean Kirby.

Foolish men work all their lives in order to be able to rest without understanding that they can rest almost any time.

No issue is ever settled correctly upon the basis of force, regardless of what measure of compulsion is used.

# Singing Groups Featured In Joint Concert Tuesday

On April 23 at 8:00 P. M. in the Fine Arts Auditorium ASTC's Women's Glee Club, Men's Chorus, and Madrigal Singers presented their spring concert.

The Women's Glee Club, under the direction of Herman S. Beckemeyer, sang: "Echo Song," by Lasso; "Lullaby," Warlock; "On the Steppe," Gretchaninoff; "Why," Huskins; "Listen to the Lambs," Dett, prepared and conducted by Mrs. Flora Friend; "He's Gone Away," Schumann arrangement, Judy Nantz, soloist; "Poor Man Lazarus," Hairton arrangement; "Moon River," Warnick-Mancini; "My Favorite Things," Warnick-Rodgers. Accompanist for the group is Sandra Kiser.

The two selections of the Madrigal Singers were "The Silver Swan," by Gibbons, and "Sing We and Chant It," by Morley. On the Men's Chorus portion of the program were: "Come, Sweet Death," by Reed-Bach; "Blessed is the Nation," Bach; "Across the Wide Missouri," Noble Cain arrangement; and the ASTC Alma Mater, arranged by the director, Clinton Parker. Jim Miller is accompanist for the men.

Chairman of the Committee for Economic Development, T. V. Houser has proposed a three-point program aimed at improving public education.

The three points: school district reorganization, increased state support and a program of Federal aid to the poorer states.

He said most of these states, but not all, are from the south.

# First Graders Are Registered At AES

The orientation and registration meeting for parents of prospective first graders at Appalachian Elementary School was held at the school last week.

Mrs. Ed Harrill, public health nurse, spoke to the group, giving health requirements which must be met for entrance in the first grade. Requirement include: (1) Copy of child's birth certificate. (2) Evidence of immunization for whooping cough, tetanus, diphtheria, poliomyelitis, small pox. (3) Complete physical examination, either by family doctor, or from Dr. Michal at the Health Center.

Mrs. Harrill pointed out that examinations would be given at the Health Center on Mondays or each week.

For those parents who did not

attend the meeting, John Howell, principal, further emphasizes that parents take care of the health requirements, and the following registration procedures, immediately: (1) Pick up registration blanks at school office. (2) Return blanks, properly filled out, to school office. A North Carolina state law requires they be properly filled out before the child can be registered.

The prospective first graders are invited to visit the school, accompanied by at least one parent, on Friday morning, May 17, from 9 to 11:30 o'clock. They will be served lunch in the school cafeteria. Price of the meal, for both children and adults, will be 25c.

# Robert Calloway Rites Wednesday

Robert James Calloway, 17, of Banner Elk, died April 23 in Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem where he had been a patient 3 months.

He was the son of Mrs. Joe Presnell and the late Julius M. Calloway of Banner Elk.

Funeral services were conducted April 24 at 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian Church in Banner Elk with Rev. Harrison Taylor officiating. Burial was in the Calloway cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his mother are four sisters, Mrs. L. C. Reed and Mrs. C. D. Parks of Winston-Salem; Mrs. Ben Isaacs of Mountain City, Tenn.; Mrs. Casey Ward of Boone; five brothers, Albert Calloway of Valle Crucis; Frank Calloway and Steve Calloway of Winston-Salem; William Calloway of Richmond, Va.; J. C. Calloway of Banner Elk and one half-brother, Gary Presnell of Valle Crucis.

With life demanding more and more machines it would be a good idea to build some of them to last longer.

Kennedy-de Gaulle parley is suggested.

# Paul & Ralph Say:



A new father was looking at the babies through the window of the infant ward, and it seemed that every baby was crying.

"Why are they bawling?" he asked the nurse.

"Listen," she said severely, "if you were only a few days old, without any clothes, out of a job, and owed the government almost \$1,700 on the national debt, you'd be bawling too!"

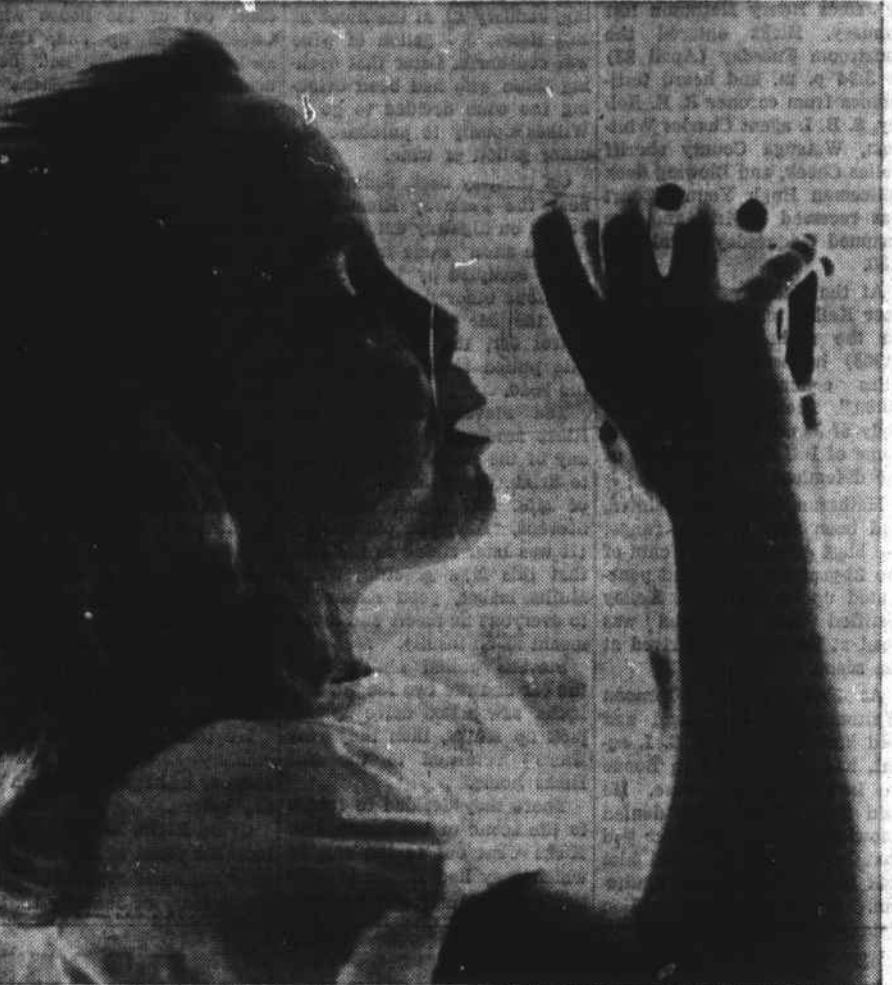
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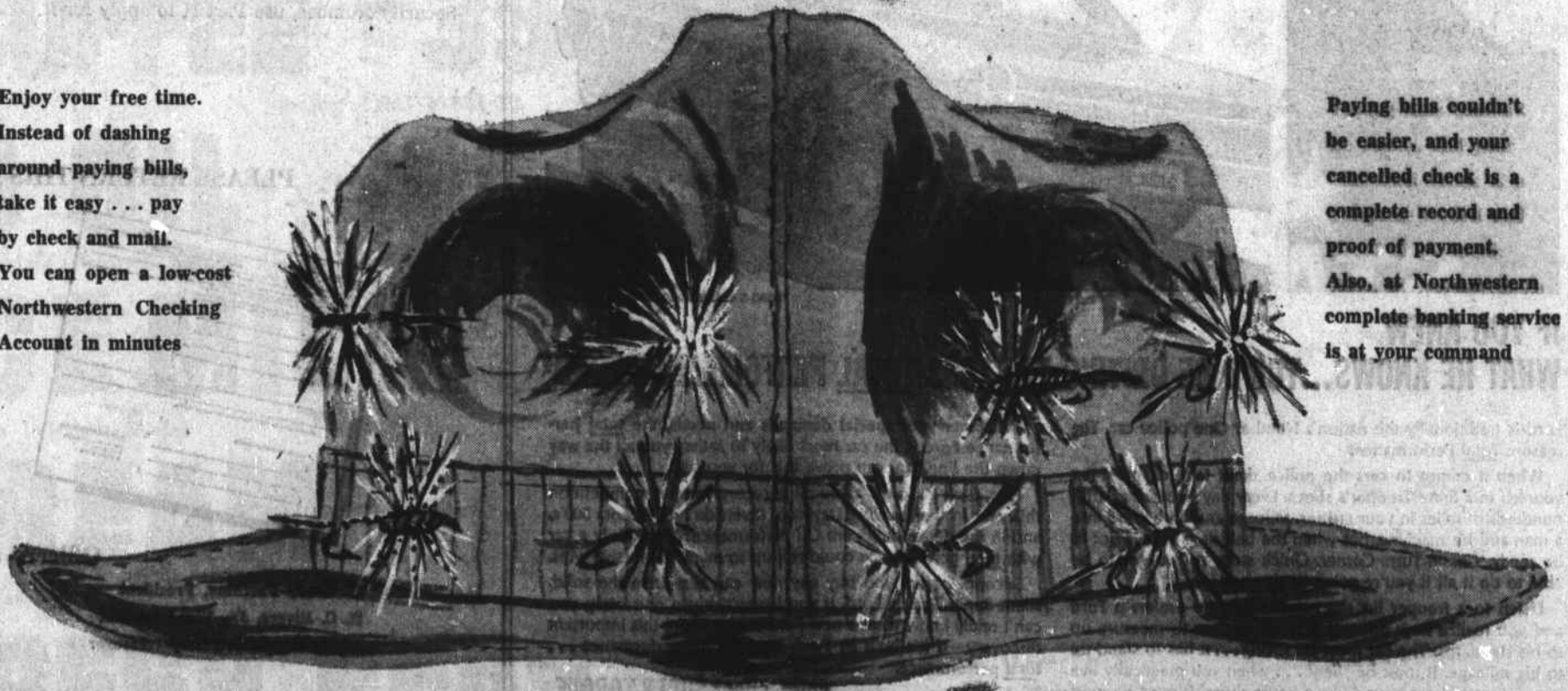
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