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NEWS FROM THE VICINITY OF DEEP GAP

Mr. Earl G. Cook, the forest warden was down here last Saturday upon his official duties. The forests have needed protection for years and we believe Mr. Cook will make an efficient warden.

The school bus of the Consolidated School of Deep Gap had a minor accident when Mr. Grant Greene, a student swayed to the road bank and turned the bus upon its side. He says that he heard some kind of noise from the rear and turned his head to look when the car ran for several feet along a ditch line until the front wheels took a start up the bank and before he could get it under control it toppled over. No one was hurt except Master Ernest Greene, a pupil of the school, who received a bruise and a small cut above one of his eyes. The bus was not damaged except some glass windows were broken on the side that fell against the road. The writer helped raise the bus and it was a freakish sight to see and meet the stranded children all along the road that morning when we went to the scene of the little mishap.

News has reached this section of the death of "Rum" Church a well known musician and singer. He was struck down near Kannapolis by a car driven by a party from Ohio en route to Florida. Death was instantaneous, his neck being broken twice. It is reported that some thief took the dead man's automobile and fled just as soon as he expired. Mr. Church was a well known man to many Wataugans as he often came over here in quest of business. He was selling optical goods when killed.

The writer has installed a radio set and has been listening in to the various programs at Chicago, Cincinnati, Atlanta, Washington and Miami. We recently heard Secretary of Commerce Hoover deliver his wonderful speech on radio from Washington.

The Secretary of Commerce said that there were over six hundred radio broadcasting stations and more than twenty five million listeners in the United States. Radio is only four years old and getting better every day. Within the next five years radio will be so much improved that every farm home will and should put one in for the information alone they will receive.

Deputy Sheriff J. F. Welch and his assistants Messrs Albert Hampton and Russell Trivett last week raided along the Watauga-Wilkes line and located two illicit stills and destroyed about one hundred gallons of malt beer and sugar. The party divided up when near the scene of the supposed operations, Mr. Welch taking his way up a stream and the others taking theirs up another with a mountain as the dividing line between them.

Welch had not been gone for more than ten minutes when Hampton and Trivett spied a pair of overalls hanging from some bushes. Hampton said to Trivett: "Be still for I think I see a man." Each one stood still in their tracks waiting for it to move, but it only seemed to dangle in the air. They took another peep and saw a small tin cup hooked to a twig on the bush. By moving around a little they saw the still sitting on the furnace filled to the brim with beer, sugar, malt, concentrated lye, etc. After waiting for several hours no one came to the still to operate, so they signalled to Deputy Welch to come on to them as they had found their prize. The Deputy failed to get their signals, as he was about a mile away on another stream hot on a fresh trail of much travel and worn by footprints.

Hampton and Trivett decided not to wait any longer and made quick destruction of the outfit by cutting it down and destroying everything in the camp. After completing the job they started out to locate the Deputy. Hehold it was then they heard his signal from the mountain top signifying that he had also found a prize. They hastened up to the Deputy to find that his signal was true. Mr. Welch had also located a cave with beer, sugar, malt and concentrated lye, and a hidden still soon to go on the furnace again. All this was immediately destroyed. Deputy Welch says that if you want him to get the stills or destroy them just let him have a true report. These two plants no doubt were turning out "sugar stalk and lye fluid" rapidly with their one hundred and fifty gallon capacity and ruining the young men of this and other sections.

We have one more incident which

INTERESTING NEWS BREVITIES FROM NEWLAND

Porter Nave, his wife and son of Elizabethton, Dallas Hopkins of Crossnore, John W. Hodges, his wife and two younger sons of Boone were visitors to Thos. W. Hopkins and family Sunday afternoon.

Lots of rain and some electric lights in town recently.

Roy Hoover who moved from Lenoir here last spring has purchased the late Grandma Gragg home and is carrier of the Newland and Linville Falls mail now.

We should never complain at God's plans. While we had a dry summer we have had a splendid yield of grain in this section.

M. E. Hopkins and Dayton Nance of Elizabethton, were business callers in town last Friday.

Tom Ford has returned from Bristol, where he unloaded a fine lot of apples.

We are glad to say Roby L. Shoemaker of Balm who is now our Register of Deeds, and Eugene Eller of Heaton, who is now our C. S. C. have both moved their families and are now living in our town, and we feel the benefits of having such good people among us.

Old Uncle Dick Meredith met his match last week, when he went to water his Billie goat. Old Billie ran around him, soon having Uncle Nick's legs completely confined with the cow chain, and was giving Uncle Nick the difference in the rear.

B. F. Eller of Heaton who was seriously hurt the 14th in an auto accident has returned home from the Grace Hospital much improved so far as wounds received from the accident. Mr. Eller has other complicated troubles, which still have him confined to his room.

Ed, son of T. J. Ray, has traded his large garage and business to J. M. Craig for the Newland Light and Power Plant.

Mrs. Lewis Shirley who has been in the Grace Hospital for some time has returned home much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shirley both have been very ill, but are now improved.

T. W. Hopkins is still "at in" from the effects of his auto accident.

Married some days since Mr. Cecil Farthing of Montezuma, N. C. to Miss Maggie Wheeler of Watauga Co. "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and loses his own soul?" What shall it profit the good people of the Blue Ridge section if they gain all of Florida and lose their homes in the land of the sky? Don't worry about it boys, you will never get a rue bargain.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School as usual at ten o'clock Sunday morning. We invite every one not already attending Sunday School to come and try ours.

J. D. Loizeaux of Plainfield, N. J. will conduct services at eleven o'clock. Mr. Loizeaux is well known in Boone, an interesting man and a splendid Christian gentleman and we are sure you will enjoy hearing him.

BEAUTY

See how a child loves the beautiful. The child is near to God.

Do you think that your surroundings, as public or private grounds, in town or in the country, would impress a visitor as a neat or beautiful place. Consider.

Beauty is of God. Satan never has made a flower.

Express your beauty that others may see it. You may live thus the longer.

has come to our attention to relate of very much importance. It is in regard to the consolidated school building at Deep Gap. It seems that the heavy rains have put our almost ten thousand dollar school building to the test. It leaks very much so it is said on the upper side from the roof and trough that should carry the water away. Great streams of water have been flowing inside on the floor and had to be continually swept out of the building.

Another sad part of the story is that the principal of the school has told these facts to others who should look after the building and keep it in repair and so far she has received in return only beautiful promises, yet unfilled at this time.

It is cooperation and the safe guarding of our public property built and kept up by taxation, deliver us!

COVE CREEK NEWS HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST

The eighth grade girls of the Cove Creek High School won an interesting game of basket ball over the eighth grade of the Appalachian State Normal on Monday night of last week. The score was 11 to 9, with Cove Creek leading throughout the entire game.

Armistice Day was observed by singing popular war time songs at chapel and by talks on various phases of the World War by Dean Swift and S. F. Horton.

James Mast attended the Armistice Day races in Charlotte.

Rev. F. M. Huggins preached Saturday and Sunday afternoons at the Cove Creek Baptist Church. Mr. Huggins has been secured as supply pastor until a regular pastor can be obtained.

A Thanksgiving program will be given by the children of the grades at the school auditorium on Wednesday afternoon, November 25 at 1:30 o'clock. This program will be followed by a short session of the Parent-Teachers Association.

Mrs. D. H. Mast is recovering from a rather severe attack of pneumonia. The average attendance for the entire school for the past month was 262 out of the total enrollment of 281. The average for the grades was 144 out of 160 enrollment and for the high school 117.5 out of 120 enrollment.

The honor roll for the several grades follow:

First Grade: Lester Deal, Helen Bingham, Ruby Johnson, Leola Adams, Virginia Clement, James Sherwood.

Second Grade: Ruby Glenn, Harold Moody.

Third Grade: Nell Henson, Mattie Lou Harman, Hensel Stokes, Joseph Banner, Florence Hodges.

Fifth Grade: James McBride, Thos. Presnell, Erin Smith, Ruby Wilson.

Sixth Grade: Alice Bingham, Cecil Glenn.

Seventh Grade: Ada Banner, Mary Lee Bingham, Francis Brinkley, Perry Moody.

Eighth Grade: Blaine Byers, Frank Miller, Blanche Castle.

Ninth Grade: Ruth Greer, Ruth Thomas.

Tenth Grade: Ollie Eller, Ralph Greene, Dessie Norris.

Eleventh Grade: Margaret Davis, Blanche Williams, Paul Tagman.

NEWS NOTE FROM THE WORTH WHILE CLUB

On Friday Afternoon November 13 the Worth While Club met at the Commercial Hotel. A most pleasant and profitable afternoon was enjoyed by the guests.

The President being absent the vice President had charge of the meeting. The greater part of the program hour was given to reports from those who attended the meeting at Hickory. Each one gave a report of some part of the days program.

There were many business items to be discussed. The club decided to plant a bed of tulips in the flower garden. Another item was the discussion of and planning for the preparation of a Thanksgiving dinner for the inmates of the County Home. All were anxious to do their part for the unfortunate folk. The Secretary was also instructed to leave at the Democrat office a subscription for Aunt Ett Horton for the time she will be away. Other items were discussed and left open until next meeting.

The hostesses, Mesdames J. L. and E. S. Qualls served to the guests a most palatable plate lunch consisting of chicken salad, pickles, saltines, coffee and sandwiches. Delicious Melaga grapes were also served. Special guests were Misses Mary Helen and Blanche Hagaman.

The Club will meet Friday Nov. 27 with Mrs. Logan on Main Street.

The Hickory Trip

Friday November 6th, Mesdames W. H. Gragg, J. M. Moretz, J. A. Williams, F. M. Huggins, Z. V. Farthing, T. L. Cooke, A. L. Cooke, J. E. Moore and R. E. Clay went to Hickory to attend the meeting of District No. 3 of the State Federation of Clubs.

The program was inspiring to all who attended. Those who went from Boone came home with a greater zeal for community interest and activities.

It is sincerely hoped that in the near future this district meeting will come to Boone.

PRINCIPAL BUSINESS PLACES TO CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING

The following business houses of Boone will be closed all next Thursday the 26th in observance of Thanksgiving Day:

- Cottrell and Hagerman
- D. J. Cottrell
- Farmers Hardware and Supply Co.
- The Fashion Shop
- Cash Grocery Store
- Hi Land Barber Shop
- W. R. Winkler
- J. N. Davidson Dept. Store
- Watauga County Bank
- Peoples Bank & Trust Co.
- Taylor Motor Company
- Spainhour-Snyder Dry Goods Co.
- A. E. B. Chevrolet Co.
- City Barber Shop
- City Shoe Shop
- A. P. Ward
- Boone Steam Laundry
- L. S. Isaacs Store
- Walkers Jewelry Store
- Boone Hardware Company
- Moretz Furniture Store
- H. E. Greer
- Boone Clothing Store
- Hi Land Pressing Club
- Boone Wood Working Shop
- Carolina Stores
- S. C. Eggers and Company
- Watauga Furniture & Lumber Co.
- Boldin Grocery Company
- Jno. W. Hodges & Company
- Henry J. Hardin & Co.
- Christian Tin and Metal Co.
- F. M. Maliba & Company

KING TUT REVEALED AS BOY BURIED WITH GOLD AND GEMS

Cairo, Egypt, Nov. 17.—An official communique issued by the ministry of works describes the difficultly experienced in excavating the body of Tut-Ankh-Amen and the many rare and interesting objects brought into the light of day. The body was not removed from the coffin but the wrap pieces were cut away, exposing the mummy, which proved to be that of a male not yet adult. The communique says:

"On November 11th in the presence of the government and scientific representatives, Howard Carter began the examination of the mummy of Tut-Ankh-Amen which was carried on inside since the mummy could not be removed from the coffin without injury.

"The outer surface of the wrappings which were in a very fragile condition were first consolidated by a thin coating of melted paraffin wax after which Professor Derry made a longitudinal incision from neck to feet. Overcoverings being turned back exposed a layer of wispones, which were equally emborrized and decayed. In these circumstances an orderly wrapping was manifestly impossible.

"As the work proceeded a large number of interesting and beautiful objects were gradually revealed. At each stage of the proceedings, both written and photographic records were taken. Among the objects brought to light, the more important were a multi-colored collar, a superb gold dagger with chrysolite handle, bracelets of intricate workmanship, a large number of finger rings of different materials, some having scarabs bearing the king's name for their bezels (setting); a second dagger, more beautiful than the first, several large gold pectorals, headwork, ornaments, gold circles, etc.

"Until the thirteenth of the work of uncovering the body had proceeded only so far as to expose the lower part of the body and limbs. According to the opinion as to the anatomical parts, the evidence to the present reveals without that the body is of a male, not yet adult, in much emaciated condition.

"Carbonized on the feet are golden sandals and upon each toe and finger golden studs. So far no trace of documents has been discovered.

"Both forearms were loaded with magnificent jewels. The jewelry discovered upon the king, who lies in a coffin of solid gold, is far beyond expectations.

"Work of such a delicate nature must necessarily proceed slowly. The cleaning and restoration of these wonderful objects will begin immediately after the examination of the mummy as finished. For this reason and in order that they may be transported to the Cairo museum for exhibition as quickly as possible, all visits to the tomb and the laboratory must be suspended until the work is finished."

EX-SHERIFF E. R. EGGERS PASSED AWAY SATURDAY

In the death of Ex-Sheriff E. R. Eggers, which occurred at his home one mile west of Boone at 10 a. m. last Saturday, the community and the county at large, loses another of their best citizens. His illness has been long covering a period of about two years, and it seems that all possible was done for him. The best physicians procurable attended him for a long while, and sometimes his loved ones were led to believe that he was improving, and he was in a sense, but soon he would lose all he would gain. Last March his son, Mr. S. C. Eggers took him to Johns Hopkins Hospital as a last resort. He spent some time there with him, where it was found that cancer of the stomach was the trouble and that it was so far advanced that nothing more could be done. However after his return he rallied again and hopes revived. He was in town a number of times and it seemed that he was really improving. A few weeks ago he became worse and lingered along to the end which was without a struggle.

Mr. Eggers served two terms as Sheriff of Watauga county and made an efficient and popular officer. He was prompt in his duties, meeting all with a kind word and a smile and all, regardless of political or other affiliations, were glad to claim the good gentleman as their friend.

Sheriff Eggers was for twenty-five years a consistent and faithful member of the Forest Grove Baptist Church and was ever faithful in his attendance and a liberal contributor to her cause when finance was needed. He was also for many years a member of the Masonic Fraternity and possibly lived as near up to its teachings as is humanly possible.

The remains were taken to the old home on Beaver Dam for interment, the funeral services being conducted in Forest Grove Church where he had worshipped so long. A wife and seven children survive—four boys and three girls. Boone now claiming all four of the boys as her citizens. The bereaved have the sympathy of all in their great loss.

METHODIST NOTES

Over 200 were present last Sunday at Sunday School, this being the best attendance in several Sundays. Good music, good teaching and a well planned worship service make a going Sunday School. Regularity in attendance will help accomplish these ideals and perfect plan.

The women of the church report a successful bazaar. This annual occasion means work and trouble on the part of the women of the Missionary Society but a more thrifty bunch cannot be found. Besides the ones made by the sale of fancy work and eggs, the night always provides a social feature for the community.

Congratulations are in order for the choir. Last Sunday the music was far above the average which fact proves that practice makes perfect.

Sunday School Sunday at 9:45.

Worship service at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Communion service will be held at the morning hour.

Epworth League 6:15 p. m.

Wednesday prayer service and choir practice 7 p. m.

A welcome is extended to all.

JURORS DRAWN FOR NEXT FEDERAL TERM COURT

Following is Watauga's quota of jurors drawn for the next term of Federal Court which will convene in Wilkesboro on November 23.

- J. C. Miller, Bowling Rock.
- George Phillips, Sugar Grove.
- Will Farthing, Sugar Grove.
- Joe McNeill, Zionville.
- Tom Hampton, Bowling Rock.
- J. J. Glenn, Watauga Falls.
- C. C. Farthing, Boone.
- Wade Norris, Todd.
- Rufus Ward, Watauga.
- N. G. Wheeler, Triplett.
- C. C. Hodges, Sands.
- W. M. Wilcox, Todd.

Couldn't Tell From There

Voice on the wire: Hello, is this the Hub Department Store? Well, send me two pairs of flesh colored stockings!

Clerk: "White Yellow or black?"

The government has a new gun capable of shooting a ton of metal a mile out to sea. Maybe that will solve the problem of getting rid of old safety razor blades.

NEWS FROM THE NORMAL AND TOWN IN GENERAL

Armistice Day was celebrated at the State Normal by appropriate exercises, talks, and songs. Quite a lot of the World War veterans have been in training at the Normal for about the years that they have been receiving training. There are only about three at this time, and they were asked to stand up that all might see and honor them. Also those in school who had brothers in the war were asked to indicate it, and this number was 25 or more. Prof. Williams made a talk on the recent Compact of Lenoir.

At a basket ball game in the Gymnasium at the Normal on Friday evening between Mountain City, Tennessee, and a team composed of a part of the college students of the Normal and of the High School Department the score stood 11 to 21 respectively.

Some time ago the firm of Greene and Bligham in Boone began on a rather small scale to manufacture curios in the basement of their store building, but orders came in so fast they were not able to meet the demands for these interesting articles.

So a company was formed known as the Woodcraft Novelty Company and a large factory was built and the manufacturing was begun on a large scale. These novelties are made from rhododendron and walnut. The articles manufactured are moonshine stills, churns, toothpick holders, rolling pins, jugs, gavel, pipes, pots, buckets, knives, napkin rings, blotters, calendars, smoking sets, paper weights, ink wells, pin trays, foot balls, match safes, mugs, banks.

They manufacture several thousand of these daily and are putting in more machinery which will enable them to make the daily output six or seven thousand. This is possibly the largest factory of this kind or nature in the State or in the country. Orders are being received from all over the United States, extending from Boston, Massachusetts to Los Angeles, California, and Miami, Florida. Single orders come for as many as 80 or more dozens. This growing business is likely a great source of profit to the manufacturers and a pleasure to the many tourists.

A snow storm is on at this writing and it looks as if it might continue for some time.

J. M. D.

WATAUGA HEALTH SURVEY

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| Number of schools visited..... | 66 |
| Number children inspected..... | 2748 |
| Defects found: | |
| Vision..... | 371 |
| Tonsils..... | 1275 |
| Nasal..... | 273 |
| Teeth..... | 1918 |
| Nutrition..... | About 2 per cent |
| Other defects—Symptoms of eye strain, crossed eyes, dancing eyes, nervous, skin, stutter, speech, dysentery, cramps, abnormal growths and deformities. | |

NOTES FROM THE FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

"Friday the thirteenth" was a lucky day for the members of the Friday Afternoon Club. On that day one of the most delightful meetings of the year was held with Mrs. M. P. Critcher at the Critcher Hotel.

After an enjoyable social hour the guests were invited into the dining room where they were reminded that the Thanksgiving season is near. The room and tables were attractively decorated with evergreens and an abundance of fruits.

Misses Louise Critcher and Maisie Jean Jones served delicious refreshments, consisting of boiled pork ham on lettuce, with cranberry sauce, celery, pickles, baked apples, with whipped cream, hot buttered rolls and coffee, followed by heart shaped pumpkin patties and cream cheese. The lights were then extinguished and a small plate containing a lighted candle surrounded by marshmallows to be toasted, was placed at each plate.

Besides many club members a number of invited guests were present, among whom were Mrs. M. B. Blackburn, Mrs. Henry Hardin, Mrs. J. W. Jones, Miss Watkins of Lockport, N. Y., Misses Eula and Jennie Todd and Misses Creed and Washburn of A. T. S. faculty. Mrs. W. R. Spainhour was added to the list of members and welcomed by the club.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. B. J. Council November 27th.