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TRIBUTES PAID TO Last Word! LATEST NEWS OF WORLD'S EVENTS GATHERED FROM LATE PUBLICATIONS

COAST GUARDSMEN TO RESCUE

Only unusual heroism of Coast Guardsmen prevented still another major disaster of storm-tossed Lake Michigan Tuesday, when the liner Wisconsin, with 65 aboard foundered thirteen miles off the coast from Kenosha, Wis. Eight persons were be-lieved to have perished. The others, swept from the decks by the rushing waves or dumped into the frothing surf when lifeboast were swamped, were saved by the heroic work of Coast Guardsmen and crews of other ships which answered the Wisconsin's frantic SOS calls.

JOHN ROACH STRATTON DEAD

The Rev. John Roach Straton, one of the world's outstanding champions of fundamentalism, died at Clifton Springs, N. Y., Tuesday, at the age of 54. Dr. Straton, who as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in New York, became famous during the last Presidential campaign by his intensive crusade against the candidacy of Ex-Governor Al Smith, had been critically ill with a nervous breakdown for more than a month. The breakdown came as he was believed to have recovered from a slight paralytic stroke he suffered last April.

NORRIS WILL RUN AGAIN

Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska Tuesday night announced his candidacy on the Republican ticket re-election next year. In a lengthy statement issued from Washington, the veteran Nebraska independent who last year campaigned for the Democratic Presidential nom ince, said he had been forced to lay aside a desire to retire from public life by a challenge against himself and his principles. Senator Norris has opposed President Hoover in the that Samuel F. McKelvie, former Nebraska Governor and a member of the farm board, will oppose him for the nomination

A. F. L. TO ORGANIZE SOUTH Heads of all international and national labor unions in the United States are to confer within the next three weeks on the labor situation in the South. Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, said yesterday in Washington that William Green, president of the organization, would issue his call to the officers in "a few days." Work is going forward to unionize every tex-tile mill in the South.

MADAME CURIE BUYS RADIUM A draft for \$50,000 to purchcase a gram of radium for her valorous researches awaited Madame Curie when she arrived at the White House Wednesday for a visit with the President and Mrs. Hoover. Encased in

rie is the discoverer of radium.

Rev. Moser Is Sent **To Spencer Church**

More Than One Thousand Gather to Pay Respects to Mamory of Noted ing of the assignments of the minis-Educator. Portrait Is Unveiled as ters for the coming year's work. An Gift of Students.

PROF. DOUGHERT

A memorial service, in which va- H. Moser, pastor of the Boone Meth A memorial service, in which in [1]. Moser, pastor of the books wears, rious noted friends of D. D. Dough- odist Church for the past two years, memory of the deceased college co-Mrs. Rufus Gwyn, of Lenoir. A com-ber of the Kentucky Conference and in charge of the program.

T. S. when the institution was es- their best to have him return. tablished in 1901.

of music at the College.

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Morganton, perhaps one of the closest friends of from the Todd Circuit, while the D. D. Dougherty, in characteristic Bradshew style paid tribute to the life and character of his fallen com-Those going as delegates to the panion. The eminent pulpit orator went back to the days when he and Stanbury, Dr. J. D. Rankin, and Rev. Senate on his farm relief and taraff Mr. Dougherty were students at J. M. Dwonum. revision programs, and it is believed Wake Forest, and reviewed the career of this great scholar through the many years following his college Jesse Ragan Dies in days. His work as a builder, student, scholar and Christian gentleman was stressed in Mr, Bradshaw's culogy. "D. D. Dougherty had as much moral courage as any man I have ever known," said the speaker, "however, owing to his retiring disposition, few men were privileged to know him as did I. Had it not been for this disposition, Dolph Dougherty would have been recognized today as one of the greatest mathematicians, astronomers and naturalists in North Carolina. His life was an unuspally busy one. Despite his manifold du-busy one. Despite his manifold du-tries, however, he was at all times thoughtful of others, always willing thoughtful to others, always willing

ident and Mrs. Hoover. Encased in Holy City by Dr. Sykes, of Greens-silver, it was presented to her at the boro, a student of the A. T. S. of Mr. Ragan was thrice married. National Academy of Sciences at other days, Dr. Sykes and Mrs. Broy-hill sang "Some Day the Silver Cord three children were born, all living. extremely poor are looking to you shower party for Miss Edith Knight, known as "Civitan's Sweetheart," dress by the President. Madame Cu- Will Break," one of Mr. Dougherty's He was married the second time to avorite hymns.

Mr. Casey discussed the life of his

a student, presenting him as one of

the greatest friends to the youth of

the hill country, and recalled touch-

he had always extended a helping

hand. Throughout his talk, the well

William R. Lovill, local attorney

for almost a quarter of a century

the college, and active in this capa-

city until his death accepted the

painting on behalf of the trustees.

Mr. Lovill recited in detail the trying

days when State appropriations, inso

far as the mountain section was con-

cerned, were unthinkable, and re

counted the seemingly insurmounta-

ble barriers which the Dougherty

brothers, D. D. and B. B., brushed

aside in their struggle to make their

Carolina. He cited the mil-

school the leader of Northwestern North Carolina, He sited the

lion-dollar college plant as proof-pos-

itive that their work was not in vain.

The deceased man was referred to

as "one of deep vision, of fixed pur-

pose, a deep thinker, a scholar, build-

Brown, of

The Annual Conference of the Methodist Church ended its session in High Point Monday with the readters for the coming year's work. An unusual number of changes were made by the body, those of local in-terest being the removal of Rev. C.

erty paid eloquent tribute to the to the pastorate of the Central Church at Spencer, and that of Rev. founder, was held in the auditorium R. A. Taylor, for five years on Waof Appalachian State Teachers' Col-tauga charge, who was assigned to lege Saturday evening. More than one thousand came together for the District. O. J. Chandler, supply,

mittee composed of those who ma- the idea that he is a student minister triculated during the early days of the Appalachian Training School was North Carolina for his health and the Although the seating capacity of the heading of "supply," since he is the main auditorium was taxed by the great gathering, desirable scats had been provided and reserved for foremost ministers of the Scate and the family, for pioneer benefactors of the school, and especial attention was the school, and especial attention was given to the matter of scating the faculyt, as well as the employees in every line who had worked faithfully and long hand in hand with Profes-sor Dougherty. Professor I. G. Greer introduced the sneakers

sor Dougherty. Professor I. G. Greer introduced the speakers. Rev. W. L. Scott, pastor of Ruth-said the invocation. Rev. Scott was the first student to register at the A. T. S. when the institution was es-

Following the invocation, Mrs. Ed-gar Broyhill, the former Miss Sadie Hunt, a member of the Class of '15, while Mr. Chandler and family will Rev. Moser returns to Boone this rendered a special solo. Mrs. Broy-arrive next week, he filling his first hill was accompanied at the piano by appointment the following Sunday hill was accompanied at the piano by appointment the following Sunday. Miss Ruth Coffey, talented director Boone was made a "station," Blowing Rock having been taken from this work. The latter will be supplied

North Wilkesboro

Mr. Jesse Ragan, of Meat Camp, almost 72 years of age, went, on last Monday, to North Wilkesboro with load of produce. He was accompanied by a Woodring boy. Soon after arriving at his destination, he walked across the street and called the boy to him. He sat down on the edge of the walk, remarking, "I feel like 1 am going to faint," and almost in-stantly fell back dead.

The remains were brought home to help out his fellow man, and con-tributed liberally of his time to church and other Christian activities. 39 years. In the absence of his pas etery at Meat Camp Church, of which A man could have had no better friend than he, who we revere this evening." to v. Rev. Roe Payne, the funeral services were conducted by Revs. Ed. Hodges and L. A. Wilson. Both minevening." Following a vocal rendition of "The Holy City" by Dr. Sykes, of Greens-Holy City" by Dr. Sykes, of Greens-

SUCCUMBS FRIDAY Outstanding Citizen of the Town and Was One of the Foremost Live stock Raisers of This Section.

GEORGE C. WINKLER Livestock Association

Mr. George C. Winkler, 56 years id, owner of the New River Stock just without the eastern lim-Farm, its of the city, died at his home last Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Mr. Winkler had been afflicted with a chronic ailment for several years, but had been confined to his room for

just a few days when the end came. Mr. Winkler was born and raised on the farm on which he died, and had been a contributing factor in the farming industry of this region. He was one of the first farmers of Watauga County to foresee the wisdom of stocking the hills with pure-bred cattle and introduced new blood lines into the herds of this section before any general idea had been formed looking to the elimination of the scrub. He was a leading forwardlooking citizen, a useful man, a moving spirit in the life of his commun-ity, which has suffered a great loss his death.

He is survived by his widow, one the is survived by his widow, one son, William; daughter, Helen; three brothers, J. L. and J. S. Winkler, Boone; W. F. Winkler, Valle Crucis; four sisters, Mrs. J. D. Councill and Mrs. W. H. Hardin, of Boone; Mrs. J. N. Corpening, Lynn Creek, Mo., and Mrs. Roby Estes, of Carstairs, Alberta, Canada.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. A. Yount, pas tor of the Lutheran Church, following which burial was made in the family cemetery near the home



November 11 Set for Annual Drive. Boone, Blowing Rock and Valle Crucis Will Have Active Workers. Watauga's Fund Now Practically Exhausted.

On Armistice Day, November 11, Watauga County Chapter, American Red Cross, will put on its annual roll call for membership. Ever since the turbulent war times this chapter has had at least a little bit of money on which to draw in dire emergencies, S and has always been handled almost | W as a sacred fund, not a dellar ever having been taken from the amount, except when calamities stalked Y through the land, or pressing local Tr charities demanded it. Then it was Ed drawn upon with thankful hearts C that we had a fund, though at some times very small, made possible by our good, loyal, Christian citizenship, in their membership fee of only \$1 per year.

Just now the demands coming in locally are far in excess of the almost depleted amount of cash in the bank,

According to an announcement by the secretary, G. P. Hagaman, there utstanding Citizen of the Town and County Dead After Long Ilness. County Livestock Association on Saturday, November 9, in the courthouse at Boone. All farmers and stockmen of the county are invited.

To Meet November 9

The purposes of this meeting are first, to arrange to buy a carload of buils, perhaps calves or yearlings line-bred. Mr. W. E. Shipley, of Vir ginia, is expected to be present and give the assembly some valuable information.

Another purpose of this meeting is to consider plans for holding a farm institute of one week sometime, per haps, in December. It is the purpose of the association to secure men of experience and training to conduct this institute. Special emphasis will be given to livestock, dairying, poultry, farm, truck and garden crops, soil improvement, marketing, etc. It soil improvement, marketing, etc. is proposed to give this service to the farmers free.

Professor B. B. Dougherty is very much interested in this institute and will put the Appalachian State Normal college behind the proposition. County Superintendent Smith Ha gaman, president of the Livestock Association, urges a large and representative attendance. Don't forget the date-November 9.

Elizabethton Beaten by Lees-McRae Institute

Banner Elk, Oct. 29 .- Lees-Mc Rae College played its third game of the season and its second victory won from Elizabethton High School Saturday afternoon on the college athletic field at Banner Elk. The score was 7-6. From first to last, it was clean, hard-fought bull, with both teams playing their very best. For the visiting team York, quar terback, was the star, while Dicker-son, quarterback, who made a spec-tacular run, and D. Garland, fullback, with his buildog tenacity, were the outstanding players for Lees-Mc-Rac. An interesting feature of the game was the fine singing and cheer-ing of the Lees-McRae girls on the side lines, led by Faye Wilson and Ethel Flannery, cheer leaders, who with Jiggs, the mascot, headed a snake dance across the field. Elizabethton

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will be played with Crossnore, on Saturday, November 2, at Crossnore.

CIVITAN'S "SWEETHEART" HONORED AT LUNCHEON

and to me for a pittance, with which known as "Civitan's Sweetheart,"

ROMY COOK DEAD AS BOAT TURNS

Prominent Young Man of Boone Meets Tragic Death at Detroit. Funoral Services Tuesday, Was Popular Student at Normal College.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday from the Baptist Church for Romy Cook, son of Mrs. Lona Cock, of this city, who was drowned near Detroit. Mich., a week previously when a speed boat in which he was riding catapulted he and two companions into the storm-tossed waters. Rev. P. A. Hicks, pastor of the church, was in charge of the services and interment was in the Boone Cemetery.

Advices reaching Mrs. Cook as to the tragic death of her son indicate that he, with two companions, were enjoying a motor boat trip. The frail craft was making a speed of about 45 miles per hour, a storm was coming in, and all three were dashed into the icy waters. The boat kept its terrific speed and ran in circles for about half an hour after it was relieved of its human cargo. The water was so cold and the waves running so high that any effort to rescue the boys would have been futile. The bodies of young Cook and his companions were taken from the

water two days later. Mr. Cook was 19 years old, a graduate of the Boone High School and had ccredits of one year at the local college and one at Berea College. He was an exceptionally bright young man of industrious habits, having gone to Detroit only a few months ago to secure employment. He was very popular among the College students and acquaintances in town who hear of his death with great source Surviving are a mother and four sisters and brothers,

Officers Elected by the American Legion

At a meeting of Watauga Post, American Legion, held Friday night, officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Spencer Miller, Commander; Kelly Osborne, first vice-commander; C. C. Rogers, second vice-commander; L. D. Woodard, adjutant; Walter Watson, sergeant-at-arms; Rev. Will O. Gordon, chap-

The meeting, which was held at the Legion rooms over Central Tire Company, was well attended, and enthusiasm ran high throughout the session. Past-Commander H. Grady Farthing, under whose direction the Legion has progressed so successfully during the past year, received a vote of thanks for his brilliant work in connection with the reunion of exoldiers and celebration which was held in Boone last Fourth of July. Other matters of business were taken up, and an intensive program for bringing all World War veter-ans into the organization was outlined. Watauga Post is one of the most progressive in Western Caro-lina, and its members, practically to a man, are active in its service. It may well be predicted that its fu-ture is safe in the hands of the new-

ly-elected staff of officers. Commander Miller during the coming year plans to add new details

SENATOR BURTON DEAD

Senator Theodore Burton of Ohio died in Washington Monday night, after an illness of several months. Word of Mr. Burton's demise grieved official Washington from President Hoover down. From time to time the President had called on the 77-yearold Legislater to keep in close personal touch with his condition. Ever since Mr. Burton suffered a relapse in his long-standing illness last week, ing incidents of the manner in which messages of friendship had been reaching his home from Ohio and re. One of the last was from elsewhe known attorney referred to D. D. Dougherty as "your friend and Prime Minister MacDonald of Great Britain through the British Embassy mine Mr. MacDonald expressed appreciation for the work the Ohio Senator and son of Captain Edward F. Lovill, had done in the cause of peace and expressed a devout wish for his rechairman of the board of trustees of

STOCK PRICES CRASH

covery.

A further crash in stock prices exceeding in intensity last Thursday's demoralizing session, took place Monday as Wall Stree continued to wood cut its weakaned speculative accounts, and place its house in order after the wild orgy of specula-tion for the advance which has taken place in the last five years. Financial New York City was shaken to the core. Net declines in many active issues ran from \$10 to \$60 a share, with the market closing practically at the bottom. Total sales were 9.212,the bottom. Forth sales which bave been ex-er and one of the Sate's most color-ful pioneers in the field of education. A man like D. D. Dougherty can nev-

Thursday. Prices Wednesday were still at the bottom.

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Miss Annie Minton, and to this un- to buy bread or, perhaps, to provide whose marriage to Mr. Clyde Ritch Two granddaughters of the late ion was born nine children, one of some little confort for a disease- of Greeksboro, has been announced professor, Lillie Alene and Elizabeth whom was killed in France during ridden child. What will you do about for November. Brown, children of Rev. and Mrs. O. the World War. His last marriage

Greensboro, unveiled was to Mrs. John Campbell only a the portrait, which was presented to the college in the name of the former wife and children, Mr. Ragan is surstudents of the institution hy Attor- vived by seven brothers and one sisney A. H. Casey, North Wilkesboro. ter Messes. Wade, Bob (now in Mis former tutor from the viewpoint of Dan B, and Mrs. Nancy Norris. He is also survived by 24 grandchildren. Jesse Ragan was one of Watauga's choice citizens. Unassumingly went on his way through a long life, hour of need

a paragan for truth, soberness, integrity, honesty in its broadest sense, and, far surpassing all this, he was a high-toned Christian gentleman. He leaves a host of relatives and friends, as was demonstrated by the large ever had.

crowd that essembled Tuesday afternoon to pay their last respects to their dear kinsman and friend. The Democrat feels that it has sus-

tained a real loss in the death of its life-long friend, Jesse Ragan.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS W. H. Gragg Realty Co. J. D. Horton's Garage. Sheriff L. M. Farthing. J. & E. Self-Service Store. Boone Coal Company. Pastime Theatre. Hodges Drug Company. Boone Steam Laundry. Spairhours', Incorporated. Boone Drug Company. Central Tire Company. Carolina Stores. be words Company.

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Miss Knight, who frequently has The points on which we expect to rendered invaluable service to Cividraw are Boone, Blowing Rock, Valle tan as a vocal entertainer, was asked Crucis and Cove Creek. At each of to assist in Thursday's program. It these points there will be an active was not until after she had rendered lady who will wait upon you, and let us insist that you harken to their call, for we cannot afford to fall be-low our quota. Our people have ever the solos that she learned she was the honoree. Mr. M. P. Critcher was in charge of the program and Rev. Yount made the introductory relow our quota. Our people have ever been loyal, and I have an abiding faith that they will remain so in this merous and lovely and were present-The Red Cross is the one institu- ed with the appreciation of the club tion throughout the country that has members. Several short talks of apstood firm throughout the years in preciation for Miss Knight's unselfish its efforts to relieve suffering hu-manity. Now, all together, for the unanimous expressions of good wishservice to Civitan were made and biggest and best Roll Call we have ever had. es for her future happiness featured the closing of the session.

GRAGG MAY BE NAMED

REPUBLICAN CHAIRMAN

The name of W. H. Gragg, of

Boone, now looms in Republican circles as a probable choice for

the State chairmanship when the

State Executive Committee meets

in Greensboro on November 6 for

the purpose of selecting a chair-

man and making such other ap-

pointments and endorsements as

There is no indication that Mr.

Gragg seeks the appointment, how-

ever friends in various sections of

the State are sponsoring a move-ment to name him. Mr. Gragg was

a delegate to the National Repub-

lican Convention in Kansas City

are necessary at this time.

last summer.

organization, ank asks for the support of every member during his administration.

The American Legion Auxiliary. cheduled to hold a meeting for the election of officers on the same date, postponed its meeting until early in November, the date to be announced later

The next meeting of Watauga Post will be held in the courthouse on Monday night, November 11, 8 o'clock. A committee has been appointed to work out a suitable Armistice Day program and memorial service for boys who lost their lives during the World War.

AFTERNOON PAPER IS DELIVERED IN BOONE

Mr. T. J. Hartley, circulation de-partment, Winston-Salem Sentinel, in town Thursday and while he established a ronte for his journal in this city. Donald Greer, son of Mr. T. M. Greer, is the local carrier and has secured a number of weekly subscriptions. The edition reaching Boone is published at noon time and is in the hands of the readers about 6:30, thus adequately completing the daily paper service enjoyed by the

people of this region. It will be remembered that The Winston-Salem Journal, sister publication, was the first State paper to establish a route giving Boone the morning edition at 10 o'clock, and now equally fine service is provided with the afternoon edition at the price of only 20 cents per week.

An income of \$300 from one-half acre of land planted to onions and Danish cabbage is the record. J. Hughes of Avery County.

Noted Divine Will Preach at Stone Church

Sincerely,

R. C. RIVERS, County Chairman.

Rev. S. D. Thurlow, pator of the Advent Christian Church, Lenoir, will preach in the Stone Church in Boone Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The reverend gentleman is one of the foremost sermonizers of the Advent Church and it is hoped that the attendance at his services will be large. A special male quartet from Ten nessee has been engaged to render special music for the service as well as at the Sunday School period. Next Sunday being World Temperance Sunday, a short temperance program will be rendered at the Sun-

day School hour. There will be no evening service.