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JOIN THE RED CROSS!!

Membership drive begins in Watauga tomorrow. Needs greater than ever before. Chairman issues appeal for relief funds on page two of this paper.

\$1.50 PER YEAR

## 27 ACCIDENTS ARE REPORTED FROM WATAUGA COUNTY

Industrial Commission Allows \$4,334 in Compensation to Local Workers. Nineteen Allowances for Medical Attention Only. Three State Conferences on Public Safety Conducted During Year.

Raleigh, N. C.—Watauga County reported 27 industrial accident cases in 1930-31, as compared with 32 in 1931-32, the injured workers receiving \$4,334 in compensation in 1930-31, as compared with \$840 in 1931-32, while medical costs, going to doctors, hospitals and druggists, in 1930-31 amounted to \$361.00, as compared with \$429 in 1931-32, the comprehensive biennial report of the N. C. Industrial Commission, just issued, shows.

Of the total 32 accidents the past fiscal year in this county, nineteen were medical only; that is, the workers lost less than one week of time and received no compensation for time lost, having medical bills paid only, none resulted in death, one left the worker with some partial but permanent disability, and 12 were disabled, but for a limited period, the report shows.

The Compensation Act is justified, it is pointed out, in that the several counties of the State are relieved of many charity cases hereafter resulting from industrial accidents—that many civil suits of the courts, with attendant costs paid from county funds it is claimed, have been saved. The physically handicapped worker now receives 60 per cent. of his average wage for varying periods of time commensurate with his disability, permitting him to carry on while readjusting himself to his changed condition. To assist him in this rehabilitation these cases are followed by the Vocational Training Board. During disability the very best medical and hospital care is furnished. Thus the overburdened charitable organizations of the counties during the depression have been relieved of the care of the worker injured in industrial accidents. The total compensation paid or approved for the year 1930-31 was \$979,078.00 and for 1931-32 was \$710,549.00.

The medical profession and hospitals have not had the "charity charges" and both the doctor and the hospitals receive prompt cash payment for services, which it is pointed out was not the practice before the Act was adopted. They do not have to wait the "settlement" or the obtaining of a judgment by the worker from his employer with attendant delay and the possibility of charging the Act up to charity. The medical and hospital costs for the year 1930-31 was \$532,728 and for 1931-32 was \$481,653.00.

The employer and employee have been made conscious of "Safety First." The commission has conducted three annual State-wide safety conferences. On the 2nd and 4th of this month there was conducted at Winston-Salem, N. C., one of these annual safety conferences with 1,200 employers and employees in attendance. In making studies of causes and prevention of accidents the Commission is rendering a real service to the workers of the State and the results obtained more than justify the adoption of the Act since a life or limb saved by prevention is better than compensation after the occurrence of the accident.

## Watauga Teachers to Meet Next Saturday

A meeting of the high school and elementary teachers of Watauga will be held at the Demonstration School auditorium in Boone on Saturday, November 19th. The following programs have been planned:

- General Meeting**
1. Devotional.
  2. Old and new business.
  3. A general discussion of N. C. E. A. membership and the teacher's duty toward the organization.
  4. Some echoes from the Greensboro meeting.
  5. Adjournment for the divisional meetings.

**High School**

1. "Directed Study and Its Technique," Guy Hill.
2. "Advantages and Disadvantages of Directed Study," Mrs. Howard Gragg.
3. "The Functions and Uses of Examinations," Mrs. Baxter Linney.
4. "The New vs. the Old in Examinations," Roy Ellison.
5. "Construction and Administration of Examinations," H. R. Eggers.

**Elementary**

1. "Directed Study," Dessie Mae Triplett.
2. "Tests and Examinations," H. R. Eggers.
3. "How the Classroom Teacher May Apply the Objective Test," John T. Howell.

## Pertinent Facts on Election in Watauga

The election last week in Watauga County, and the returns tabulated, give out some interesting information. Some of the unusual results of the voting are thus summarized:

Franklin D. Roosevelt was the first Democratic presidential candidate within the century to carry Watauga. He had a majority of 247.

Bob Reynolds carried the county by 30. Senator Bailey carried it by 27. Senators Overman or Simmons never received a majority here.

Dr. J. B. Hagaman as candidate for county coroner again, hung up a record with a majority of 1,054. This is the largest majority known for a candidate of either party on the local ticket.

Nineteen Wataugans voted the Socialist ticket. They had never had the chance to vote the minority presidential ballot before.

Congressman Doughton received a majority of just nine less than that given the president-elect. He was elected by a majority of over 20,000 in his twelfth successful race for the House. The old Eighth District was a normally Republican district at the beginning of Farmer Bob's career.

W. F. Miller was high for county commissioner, receiving a majority of 1,016, against 1,014 for the runner up, Eller McNeil.

Senator P. T. McNeil was next high to the Dr. Hagaman record, with a majority of 1,020.

The new Sheriff Baird is a son of the late Sheriff Dave Baird, who was holding office in 1892.

## THOMAS SIDES IS VICTIM APOPLEXY

Well Known Blowing Rock Citizen Dies Suddenly Friday Evening. Funeral Sunday. Widow and Two Children Survive.

Thomas Sides, 44 years old, died Friday evening at his Blowing Rock home, seven minutes after having been stricken with what was believed to have been apoplexy.

Funeral services were conducted from the Blowing Rock Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. Sexton Buchanan, Presbyterian minister, and interment was in the community cemetery. Members of the American Legion in uniform were present and interred the body with full military honors. An unusually large crowd was present for the services.

Surviving are a widow and two children.

Mr. Sides was a native of Rowan County, but had resided in Blowing Rock for nine years where he was engaged as a garage mechanic. He was a World War veteran and was popular in his community, where he had made a large circle of friends.

## Seek Supplies for Grandfather Home

Officials of the Grandfather Orphan Home at Banner Elk have made arrangements for a truck to visit the different communities of this region next week to gather donations of foodstuffs, canned goods, etc., for the sustenance of the orphaned children during the coming winter. A truck will be in Boone on Saturday, November 26th, and all those who have supplies which they would like to divide with the orphans will please bring them to the upper Carolina store until the orphanage truck comes. A liberal response to the appeal should be made by Wataugans.

## Y. W. C. A. PRESENTS PROGRAM CHAPEL EXERCISES FRIDAY

Songs and Patriotic Readings Feature Armistice Day Program at State College. Professor Vance Howell Delivers Address on Loyalty. Urges Audience to Face Economic Problems Gallantly.

On Friday, November 11th, the Y. W. C. A. of State Teachers College sponsored a patriotic program which was impressively rendered at chapel exercises in the main auditorium. The program consisted of songs and readings, and was climaxed with an address by Professor V. C. Howell, of the faculty, who saw active service in France during the World War. Professor Howell's address, in part, follows:

"Fourteen years ago today the greatest conflict of arms that the world has ever known came to an end. It is altogether fitting at this time that we commemorate the heroism, the devotion, and the sacrifice which we made as a people to end the greatest war of all history. I would that this day may ever be set aside as a national holiday for the purpose of educating the people of our nation to eternal hatred for war and to eternal love for everlasting peace. The tragedy of the whole war is that we are no nearer a guarantee that we are not to have another war than we were fourteen years ago at this hour.

"I now entreat you to give that same unstinted devotion and self-sacrifice to the solution of the problems of peace that you gave to the solution of the problems of war. A disregard of scrupulous care in the solution of the problems of peace will scatter distress and want, cause rebellion and eventually lead to the collapse of our great nation. Fourteen years of problems of peace since the war have almost convinced us that they are all but as difficult of solution as the problems of war. Since the close of the war we have been faced with the following national problems and they are today demanding of you and me undivided devotion: the rising cost of government, the rise of higher tax rates, the problems of power, of agriculture, of marketing, of control of production, of distribution of the social income, of disarmament, of lasting peace.

"May we, in the spirit of Americanism, solve these problems of peace as gallantly as we met and solved those of the battlefields fourteen years ago. May we yet achieve without another war, economic and political peace, and universal brotherhood among the nations of the earth."

## Will Repair Toys for Christmas of Destitute

Mr. R. M. Greene has announced that in connection with the annual Community Chest appeal, he will repair and repaint all broken and discarded toys brought to the Greene Inn or to the Music Shop. These reconditioned playthings will be given to charitable agencies for distribution to destitute children at Christmas time. It is asked that the people co-operate with Mr. Greene in this worthy work, bring him the cast-off toys, which he will make sound and bright in new colors, that they may again bring good cheer at Yuletide.

## BIRD SEASON WILL OPEN IN WATAUGA SUNDAY

The open season for the shooting of quail, rabbit and grouse or pheasant, will open next Sunday, according to Warden H. G. Farthing, who states that there is no open season on ring neck pheasants. Quail and rabbits may be taken until February 15th, while the shooting of pheasants may be engaged in for ten days only, or until the 28th.

## BLOOD POISON IS FATAL TO NEGRO ASSAILANT OF LAW

Norwood Horton Succumbs in Banner Elk Hospital. Was Victim of Blood Poisoning when Struck by Police's Lead. Following Shooting of Deputy Farthing. Officer Has Recovered. Funeral Sunday.

Norwood Horton, young Boone negro who near-fatally injured Deputy Sheriff Albert Farthing on September 17, died in Grace Hospital, Banner Elk, Saturday morning, from the effects of blood poisoning with which he was afflicted before he was injured by officers' bullets as they attempted to effect his arrest. Funeral services were conducted from the M. E. Church, colored, Sunday by Rev. Johnson and interment was in Boone.

The deceased negro had fired a load of shot point blank into the body of Sheriff Farthing, as he attempted to enter the home to serve a warrant on a brother, Ralph Horton, who had participated in an armed invasion of a highway construction camp near here. On the next day a posse overtook the two brothers near the state line and when resistance was offered, Ralph was killed outright and Norwood received bullets in the arm and legs. The latter at the time had blood poisoning in the arm, and following the gun battle, he received medical attention at the county jail. His condition grew worse, and he was removed to the hospital where he has been for several weeks.

A third negro, George Horton, is serving a three-year sentence on the roads for his part in the performance which precipitated the gun play. Deputy Sheriff Farthing, whom it was believed had received fatal wounds, has recovered, and is now at home in Boone.

## COLLEGE STAFF CHANGES MADE

Dr. D. J. Whitener Named to Post Formerly Held by J. G. Greer. Miss Cora Le May in Charge Physical Ed. Department.

Faculty changes at Appalachian State Teachers' College here have been announced in a bulletin issued by the institution.

Miss Elizabeth Butler in the department of physical education has accepted a position in Florence, Ala. Teachers College. Her place was filled by Miss Cora Le May, B. S. and M. A. in physical education, Geo. Peabody College for Teachers.

Professor I. G. Greer resigned from the department of history to accept the superintendency of the Mills Home Orphanage, Thomasville. His place was filled by Dr. D. J. Whitener. Dr. Whitener holds the B. A., M. A. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of North Carolina.

Professor G. P. Eggers is on a leave of absence for a year. He will do advanced work on his Ph. D. in Harvard University.

The following additions to the faculty have been made for the year.

E. M. Watkins, B. A., Maryville College; physical education.

Miss Mary Mercer Jackson, B. S., Peabody; physical education.

Miss Carrie S. Smith, B. A. Carson and Newman; M. A., Peabody; English and education.

Dr. W. Amos Abrams, B. A. and M. A., Duke University; Ph. D., Cornell University; English.

Professor Guy H. Hill, B. A., Furman University; M. A. University of South Carolina; with academic requirements for Ph. D., University of Michigan; secondary education and principal of the high school.

## To Fight Wet Vote



Mrs. Elizabeth Tilton, chairman, announces that the Women's Committee for Education Against Alcohol will convene at the capital to fight the wet vote when Congress meets in December.

## FLOY COTTRELL IS PAGEANT WINNER

"Miss Boone" Title Given to Local Girl in Beauty Contest Last Week. Local Merchants Sponsor Fete, Which Was Largely Attended.

Miss Floy Cottrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Cottrell, was officially designated as "Miss Boone—1932" when she emerged as beauty queen at the close of the pageant conducted Friday evening at the Boone High School. The event was sponsored by local merchants, and about 400 were in attendance. Proceeds from the admission were used for a high school library fund.

Thirty entrants were considered by the judges, who were M. S. Knight of New York, P. E. Gibson of Charlotte, and W. C. Fowler of Leaksville. Miss Inez Gragg was runner-up to Miss Cottrell, receiving second place, while Miss Lucille Miller was declared "Miss Boone High School—1932."

Other entrants were Misses Elizabeth King, Ruby Wilson, Geneva Cook, Ruby Trivett, Mary Louise Rhyme, Edith Hamby, Mary Helen Lambeth, Ada Green, Radmand, Eric Green, Louise Critchley, Jean Weeks, Vivian Fox, Ruby Holsbeck, Beulah Cooke, Lorene Miller, Gertrude Vance, Essie Watson, Pearl Ragun, Cleo Jones, Faye Yarnoy and Gladys Cooke.

During the elimination of the contestants, an interesting program was presented. Mrs. Ruth Rankin Ruthenford, concert pianist of Atlanta, Ga., gave a solo, "Back" Carson, tap dancer, presented an exhibition of his art. Miss Mildred McDade was heard with a reading entitled "King David's Sons." R. Pauley's orchestra, from Johnson City, Tenn., furnished music. Approximately four hundred people attended the pageant.

## Wataugans Will Serve On Federal Jury Monday

A criminal session of Federal court for the Middle District will begin in Wilkesboro next Monday with Judge Johnson J. Hayes presiding and District Attorney McRary prosecuting the docket. A number of Wataugans have been summoned for jury service, and the list is here given: Charles A. Greer, Zionville; Lee Gross, Boone; Russell Henson, Amana; L. M. Hodges, Banner Elk; W. Luther Ward, Valle Crucis; F. L. Hampton, Blowing Rock; Alvin Cannon, Beech Creek; Rufus M. Ward, Sugar Grove; Don J. Horton, Vilas; Joe Wheeler, Triplett; C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills; Alex Tugman, Todd.

Macon County farmers recently unloaded a car of 34 tons of ground limestone to be used under wheat and rye this fall to be followed by legumes next spring.

## YOUNCE NAMED AS LEGION OFFICIAL TO SUCCEED ISAACS

Local Business Man Takes Over District Commander's Post, Succeeding Lloyd S. Isaacs. Duties Extend Over Five Counties. Announcement Made of District Meeting at Lenoir Thursday Night.

Royce R. Beards, the Department Commander American Legion in North Carolina, has made announcement of the appointment of Charles L. Younce of Boone as District Legion Commander to succeed Lloyd S. Isaacs who held the position until his death a few days ago. Mr. Younce's jurisdiction extends over the counties of Watauga, Avery, Mitchell, Burke, Caldwell, and he is to immediately assume full duties of his office.

In connection with the appointment the high legion officials extend to the post and the bereaved family their sympathy on account of the death of Mr. Isaacs, and praise the departed comrade for his unselfish service.

## Meeting Thursday

Mr. Younce announces a district meeting to be held in Lenoir Thursday evening, November 17, at which time representatives from posts in each county under his jurisdiction are expected to be present and many prominent speakers will be on the program. Solicitor L. S. Spurling will make one of the principal addresses, while Sam Erwin Jr., of Mountaintop, R. A. Harman of Elk Park, and Chas. S. Stevenson of Boone will speak. Refreshments will be served during the course of the meeting.

## REV. BRENDALL IS RETURNED HERE

Rev. Graham Again in Charge of Watauga Circuit. Rev. P. L. Smith to Todd: Other Assignments Made by M. E. Conference.

Rev. P. L. Brendall Jr., popular pastor of the Boone Methodist Church for the past year, was again returned to the local charge as the appointment were read Monday at the closing session of the M. E. Conference in Winston-Salem. Rev. G. C. Graham is returned to the Watauga Charge for another year, and Rev. J. M. Downum is listed as Professor Appalachian State Teachers College, W. E. Poovey is against listed as Presiding Elder.

Other appointments affecting ministers well known in this section include: Wilkesboro, Seymour Taylor; Ogburn Memorial, Winston-Salem, O. L. Brown; Swannanoa, J. H. Greene; Avery, J. M. Greene; New London, H. L. Powell; Salisbury, A. L. Stanford; Newton, M. B. Woosley.

## Reynolds Cannot Be Seated Until Dec. 6

Raleigh, N. C.—Until the State Board of Elections canvasses the Tuesday vote December 6, there can be no certificate of election awarded R. R. Reynolds, who was chosen for the short term which ended with the election, and also for the long term.

Of course everybody knew that nobody can get an office without a certificate of election, but those wise ones had forgotten the jibe their knowledge with the facts. Senator Morrison's term expired with the election. But the Congress meets in Washington before the canvassing board assemblies here in December.

There will be a slight interregnum of several days before Our Bob gets on the two jobs to which he was elected.

## Official Vote of Watauga County in the Election November 8, 1932

TOWNSHIPS:	Senate		Legislat.	Sheriff	Register	Coroner	Surveyor	County Commissioners						U. S. Sen.	Congress	President		Governor									
	P. T. McNeil (D)	Troy I. Jones (R)	Roby A. Greer (D)	J. E. Holshouser (R)	T. C. Baird (D)	C. M. Critcher (R)	Helen Underdown (D)	Fred Cook (R)	J. B. Hagaman (D)	W. O. Bligham (R)	W. R. Vines (D)	I. A. Himgartner (R)	Eller McNeil (D)	W. F. Miller (D)	C. I. Billings (D)	Ben Farthing (R)	Alfred Thomas (R)	A. G. Miller (R)	F. R. Reynolds (D)	J. F. Newell (R)	R. L. Doughton (D)	P. P. Dulin (R)	Roosevelt (D)	Herbert Hoover (R)	Norman Thomas (S)	Ehringhaus (D)	Clifford Frazier (R)
Bald Mountain	80	98	79	98	59	97	80	97	85	93	78	97	78	81	75	96	97	99	56	105	80	100	75	105	3	79	100
Beaver Dam	340	121	342	121	339	123	340	122	339	125	337	125	339	340	340	123	122	123	316	337	339	124	322	125	1	339	125
Blowing Rock	281	125	271	155	279	140	290	133	289	135	281	140	281	281	282	142	140	139	233	205	243	200	238	203	1	246	200
Blue Ridge	88	239	94	235	89	240	92	238	88	239	88	240	90	88	88	240	240	240	75	255	74	252	70	257	7	74	254
Boone	1186	455	1185	459	1169	478	1195	551	1205	441	1187	457	1195	1197	1189	455	456	450	862	546	409	511	892	518	7	901	521
Cove Creek	569	218	568	217	567	215	572	215	573	219	570	217	569	571	566	215	221	215	453	326	470	317	558	335	3	468	319
Meat Camp No. 1	310	197	312	197	307	201	316	193	309	198	309	199	310	311	308	198	196	199	296	210	307	201	303	193	3	366	203
Meat Camp No. 2	39	29	39	29	38	29	39	29	39	29	36	29	39	39	39	29	29	29	37	30	29	30	38	29	3	37	30
North Fork	9	119	9	119	9	119	10	118	9	119	9	119	9	18	9	109	119	119	14	126	15	125	15	124	1	14	126
Shawneehaw	114	160	116	160	115	163	116	161	115	161	114	161	114	114	114	161	161	161	108	162	110	162	108	159	1	110	162
Stony Fork	191	327	191	325	189	328	189	328	194	324	192	325	194	185	188	325	326	333	190	324	190	325	191	325	3	189	326
Watauga	312	423	311	425	315	425	317	420	315	419	312	423	308	311	308	429	423	425	298	432	302	430	295	424	3	304	427
Elk	36	121	37	121	36	121	36	121	36	121	36	121	36	37	37	121	121	121	33	124	35	121	38	118	3	35	121
Laurel Creek	253	138	250	130	251	132	252	130	252	132	252	130	252	253	253	138	138	138	271	248	270	247	270	251	19	3476	247
TOTALS	3848	2828	3847	2859	3812	2882	3885	2924	3882	3828	3859	2852	3855	3866	3836	2841	2850	2850	3260	3230	3383	3145	3418	3166	19	3476	3159