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MEMORIES OF WRIGHTSVILLE

The Sketch Man looks 'em over at the Young Democrats' meeting and remembers a few of the things he saw, thusly—

Governor Ehringhaus, smiling as sweetly as a Sandhills peach, shaking hands with his humble constituency. . . . An extremely rich man raising the very devil over the penny tax on a pack of cigarettes. . . . Max Gardner, the Shelby nonpareil, shouting to the whole wide world that "my household and I shall uphold the hands of President Frank Roosevelt and his platform." . . . Pete Murphy, the grand old anti-prohibition fan, pink geranium in lapel, telling everybody to vote for repeal. . . . A certain "blonde-headed" young sport looking for a class-ring he had lost in the pounding surf. . . . A whole raft of fellows shouting the praises of Farmer Bob Doughton and advocating him for the Governorship. . . . Loe Hampton, newspaper writer extraordinary, smiling like nobody's business as he pulled big ones from the sound. . . . Anxious job-seekers wondering when their pay begins. . . . Our Bob Reynolds, as courteous as a knight of old, giving an account of his stewardship, and talking about "prohibition that hasn't prohibited, that isn't prohibiting and won't prohibit."

Henry L. Stevens, the best-looking man from Warsaw, shaking hands with more women than John ever saw. . . . Slightly befogged prohibitionist arguing over the price of beer. . . . A young woman declaring that Mrs. Ehringhaus is the prettiest woman in North Carolina. . . . Julius Rousseau intimating that he's going to be a candidate for Judge in his district. . . . Johnston Avery and wife wheeling a cute little baby along in a carriage. . . . Assistant Secretary of War Woodring sipping a cool bottle of brew. . . . Judge John Parker, the only man on the beach in dress clothes, talking over the situation with a prominent Democrat. . . . Judge Tam Bowie, lion of the Ashe County plateau, patting shoulders and letting folks know that he'd like the best in the world to be Governor. . . . Delegates from the hills trying to find out the boundary line between the east and the west. . . . Lieutenant Governor Sandy Graham putting his case over to a cute little trick from the east. . . . Revenue Commissioner Maxwell, full of pep, and acting like things were going to come his way some day. . . . A red-hot sobriety declaring that "happy days are here again." . . . as a boogie outside a local nearby. . . . A host load of celebrities singing "Throw Out the Life Line." Cute young delegate having his picture taken with arms enfolding a couple of strange females. . . . and a certain keen politician making a hasty get-away as a hopeful job-yearner made his way toward him.

WOMEN . . . BLESS 'EM

The car was parked on a torrid Raleigh street, and a constant flow of perspiring humanity drifted by. Fat women, lean women, fat men, lean men . . . men with coats on, men with coats off, men with shirts on, men with shirts off . . . women with hose, women without hose, women with shoes on and sandals and such . . . but all of the women, or practically all . . . WORE GLOVES! They minded, not even a bit, the sweltering rays of Old Sol . . . they cared not for the blistering heat that rose from the pavement. Dame Fashion had decreed gloves . . . and Raleigh women, fat, lean and indifferent, had given the old gal plenty and plenty of co-operation. Black gloves, tan gloves, white gloves and green gloves . . . gloves of every description were worn by maid and matron. Women should be recognized in politics, say some; women should be allowed to perform jury service, say others; women should be allowed equality in this and that, declare plenty more folks . . . but, while the Sketch Man loves every little bone in every little female's body in North Carolina, he wonders just how far the fair sex can go, so long as they wear those long hot gloves on days when mercury plays around the hundred mark?

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. JESSE COFFEY AT COOL SPRINGS

Funeral services were held on last Wednesday at Cool Springs Baptist Church near Blowing Rock for Mrs. Jesse Coffey, of Globe, Caldwell County, who died on the day previous after a lengthy illness. She was 80 years of age.

Mrs. Coffey was a daughter of the late Calvin Coffey, was born and reared in the New River section of Watauga, and was known to her many friends as a high-type Christian lady.

Survivors include the aged husband and several sons and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Hagan are in Chapel Hill this week where they are attending a state-wide meeting of welfare officials.

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Even Tan for Boots



"Boots" Mallory, she of screen fame, went to Malibu beach near Los Angeles to acquire a sun tan. . . . so down went the shoulder straps on her brief bathing suit, "Boots" declaring that she wanted an even tan.

HOLDER OF RARE SPIRITS IS FINED BY THE RECORDER

Al Dennis Arraigned. Captured at Blowing Rock by Chief Storey. Assorted Whiskeys, Gin and Beer in Small Packages Taken, and Later Stolen from Calaboose. Suspended Sentence Invoked on Bumgarner.

Al Denis, of Charlotte, was arraigned before Judge Suddreth Tuesday on a charge of transporting and possessing spirituous liquors and was fined \$150, which together with \$45 in costs was paid over to the court. A suspended sentence of six months was passed and the car involved was claimed by a third party.

Thirty-three quarts and 38 pints of fine assorted whiskeys were included in the raid made on Denis last Saturday week, as well as 11 quarts of gin and an unstated amount of high proof beer. The catch was made on the main street of Blowing Rock near Martin Cottage by Chief Eugene Storey, a part of the cargo broken and the remainder lodged in the city calaboose, from which place it was later stolen. Solicitor Zimmerman was inquisitive as to the stolen spirits and instructed Mr. Storey to bring whiskey before the court in the future.

Roy Bumgarner of Boone was arraigned for drunkenness, and sent to the roads for four months, the terms of a suspended sentence passed some time ago having been invoked.

Don Dotson, convicted on a charge of larceny, was sentenced to 90 days on the roads, and in a second case, involving driving a car without license, the sentence was suspended.

Calvin Ragan, who was assessed with the cost a month ago for possession of a small amount of whiskey, and given an installment payment plan of \$1 a week by the court, was placed in jail when it was noted that no payment had been made.

Lillie Atwood, tried for drunkenness, was given ten days in the county jail.

WIFE OF FORMER REPRESENTATIVE DIES SUDDENLY

Mrs. Blaine Coffey Succumbs to Heart Attack at Home in Boone's Fork Community. Was a Native of Caldwell County. Funeral Services Friday Afternoon with Rev. S. E. Gragg in Charge.

Mrs. Blaine Coffey, 45, died suddenly last Thursday morning at her home in the Boone's Fork community of Watauga. She had arisen early, complaining of a very severe headache, and her husband was preparing to take her to a hospital in a nearby town when she lapsed into unconsciousness. Death came before medical aid could arrive.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Friday afternoon by Rev. S. E. Gragg, Adventist minister, and interment took place in the Boone's Fork Cemetery.

Mrs. Coffey was the former Miss Kaley Harris of Hudson, Caldwell County, but had been a resident of the neighborhood in which she died for several years. She was a member of the Advent Christian Church, was active in both religious and civic affairs, and was most popular with a wide circle of friends throughout Northwest Carolina.

Survivors include the husband, two sons, Murry and Hardin Coffey, and a daughter, Miss Gwendolyn Coffey.

Former Blowing Rock Woman Dies in Lenoir

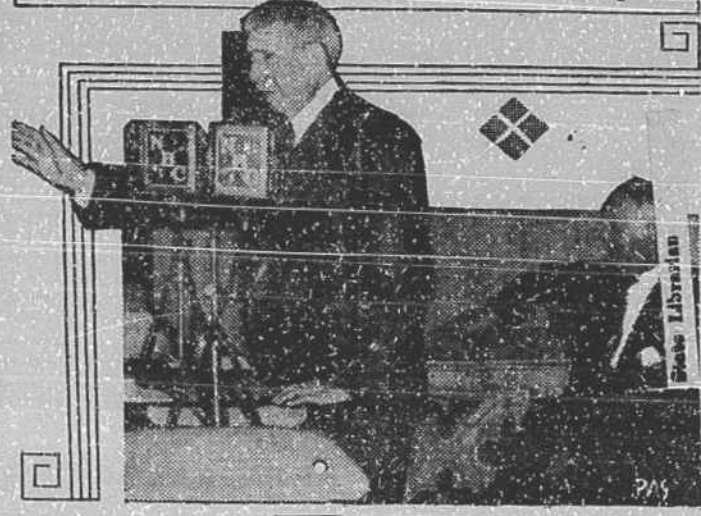
Mrs. Ivy Stines, formerly Miss Texie Icenhour of Blowing Rock, died at a Lenoir hospital Tuesday morning, following an illness of two weeks. Funeral services were conducted at Lenoir Wednesday, and burial followed in the city cemetery.

Mrs. Stines was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Icenhour of Blowing Rock, and a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College here. She had resided in Caldwell County since her marriage about six years ago. Mrs. Stines was a member of the Baptist Church, was active in its affairs, and had surrounded herself with a host of friends who will bear of her untimely passing with genuine sorrow.

Survivors include the husband, father, mother, two small children, and the following brothers and sisters: Messrs. Frank and Charles Icenhour, of Blowing Rock, Mrs. Fred Pennell, of Blowing Rock, and Miss Louise Icenhour of Pennsylvania.

Attorney J. L. Grayson of Mountain City and Mr. Foster Brown of Knoxville were business visitors in Boone Monday afternoon.

Two Great Americans Help New York Repeal



Elihu Root (speaking), grand old man of the Republican party and an internationally known statesman, and Alfred E. Smith (sitting), famous in Democratic ranks, were united in a common cause as New York state ratified the prohibition repeal amendment, the convention unanimously voting repeal. Through popular choice Alfred E. Smith was made president of the convention. Mr. Root was received with wild acclaim.

Mrs. Council, In 101st Year, Spending Summer At Rock

Mrs. A. M. Council of Hickory, resident of Boone for perhaps half a century, and who celebrated her 100th birthday anniversary last December, is at Blowing Rock with her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Taylor, spending the summer with a grandson, Donald J. Boyden, and Mrs. Boyden.

Last summer Mrs. Council suffered a serious fall and for a time used a wheel chair. Her health, however, her many friends in this region will be glad to know, is improved, and she walks unaided. She reads the newspapers, keeps up with the times, and looks forward with keen pleasure to her annual visits to Blowing Rock.

Mrs. Council first came to this region in 1852, shortly after her marriage to Dr. Council of Boone. The latter served the Confederacy during the Civil War, and for about fifty years after the hostilities ceased they made their home here.

First Came Here in 1852



CELEBRATE FINISH BLACK BEAR TRAIL NEXT SATURDAY

Banquet, Motorcade and Luncheon to Feature Demonstration Celebrating Completion of Famed Scenic Throughfare. Many Prominent Guests Will Speak to Linville Assemblage. Local People on Committee.

With the completion of the last link in the Black Bear Trail, noted scenic highway between Quebec and Miami, citizens of the territory traversed will join Saturday in a celebration at Linville, marking the completion of the far-flung artery of transportation.

The celebration begins with a banquet in Gaix, Va., on Friday evening. The following morning at 8:30 a motorcade will leave that city for Blowing Rock, where additional cars will join it, and at 11:15 the caravan will start to Linville over the Yonahlossee, the newly-completed road, which is the last link in the Black Bear Trail. A complimentary luncheon is to be served to invited guests at the Linville Golf Club at 1:00 p. m. and at 2:00 o'clock a number of attending dignitaries will speak. Adjournment comes at 3:00.

Mr. Nelson McRae of Linville is chairman of the committee on arrangements, which includes the following local people: Dr. B. E. Dougherty of Boone, G. M. Suddreth of Blowing Rock, G. C. Robbins of Concord and Blowing Rock, C. V. Henkel of Statesville and Blowing Rock, C. S. Prevette of Blowing Rock and W. H. Gragg of Boone.

The Black Bear Trail is the great scenic highway between Quebec, Canada, and Miami, Fla., and is an important link in the Eastern National Park to Park Highway, connecting the Shenandoah and Smoky Mountains National parks.

WATAUGA TO GET \$2,400 FOR RELIEF

Total for State for Month of July Less Than Half a Million. State Relief Agency in Charge by Office of Relief.

Federal emergency relief funds on the greatly reduced basis to approximately one-third of previous allotments, the total for the month of July for the entire State being \$417,700, Ronald B. Wilson, acting director of relief in the Governor's Office of Relief, announces.

The Governor's Office of Relief has notified all county and municipal relief agencies that stringent economy must be effected and every possible effort made to increase local funds in order that relief needs may be met, Mr. Wilson said. Funds for August and September will be approximately on the same basis as those for July, with probable further reductions.

In announcing county allotments for July, Mr. Wilson said that balances carried over from June, in addition to local resources, would be sufficient to take care of July needs, in a few instances. This explains the reason for no allotments being made to half a dozen counties, including Alexander, Cleveland, Cumberland, Iredell, Swain and Washington Counties.

Noted Minister Pays Brief Visit to Boone

Rev. R. H. Stone of West Jefferson and Mr. S. D. Gordon of Winston-Salem, were visitors in Boone Wednesday morning.

Mr. Gordon, while an unordained minister, is a noted devotional preacher, a famous author and lecturer. His books, "Quiet Hours," are read by more than three million people, and have been translated into twenty-eight different languages. A native of New York, Mr. Gordon several years ago came to Winston-Salem, and since that time has made appearances in practically every section of North Carolina.

Throughout this week the noted minister will preach each evening, 8 o'clock, at the Jefferson Chautauqua tent, and Boone people are invited to hear his sermons, which are said to be most eloquent. On Sunday Mr. Gordon will also be heard at the 11 o'clock service.

Instructions in canning fruits and vegetables, and instructions on hogs, beef cattle, poultry and dairy cattle were given forty-five 4-H Club members of Wilson County at Neuse Forest during the week of July 19-24.

Dr. and Mrs. Vance and Miss Margaret Vance went to Brown Mountain Beach on Thursday.

Heavy Loss As Fire Sweeps Through Boone Laundry

Quick Action of Local Fire Department Saves Main Portion of Building. Little Insurance. Rebuilding Plans Await Adjustor.

A fire of undetermined origin gutted the plant of the Boone Steam Laundry Friday shortly after noon, inflicting a loss of no less than five thousand dollars, according to an estimate made by the manager, Mr. D. L. Wilcox.

Whether or not the fire started from a carelessly tossed match when a cigarette was lighted, or from some other cause, could not be established. Almost immediately after workers noted a blue flame flicking beneath their feet on the floor, tanks containing gas used in the dry cleaning department exploded, and by the time the fire department arrived, flames were darting through all the windows of the large frame structure. The disastrous fire was extinguished, however, before the building was altogether destroyed, the principal damage having been done to the interior.

Great quantities of clothing and linens, finished and unfinished, were either completely consumed or damaged beyond repair by the flames, and stores of supplies were destroyed, together with delivery trucks and much other equipment.

The loss being partially covered by insurance, no steps have been taken toward rebuilding pending the arrival of an appraiser, but Mr. Wilcox believes it will be possible to place the plant in operation within two weeks. The present building will be repaired and much of the machinery may be placed in running condition. Meantime service to patrons is being completed through the co-operation of laundries in neighboring towns.

The laundry has rendered a fine service to the people of this section for ten years, and was known as one of the most modern plants in Western Carolina. The fire occurred at the busiest season, when capacity crews were being employed to take care of the needs of the tourist population. Fifteen men are idle for the time being as a result of the disaster.

Huge Artillery Pieces Are Secured For Court Lawn

Two large field guns, of types popular during the World War period are shortly to be placed on either side of the walkway leading to the Watauga County courthouse, if there is no hitch in the plans of the officials of Watauga Post, American Legion.

James T. Gross, post adjutant, has for a long time wanted to see some of these monstrous relics of modern warfare on the public lawn, and he wrote to Congressman E. L. Doughton to aid him in securing the weapons. Mr. Doughton, true to form, lost no time in putting the matter before the proper authorities, and wrote Mr. Gross within a few days that a six-inch and a four-inch field piece were available, both the guns being located at Aberdeen, Md., and to be supplied without cost

other than the freight from that point to Boone. The county commissioners would like for the guns to decorate the courthouse lawn, as would the citizens, and a movement is under way to supply the costs of transportation through small individual contributions. The Legion is appointing a committee to look after this matter, and those wishing to contribute can either send their money to the Legion post or to the Watauga Democrat office.

The guns weigh seven and nine thousand pounds respectively, and considerable money will be required to pay transportation costs. Whether or not they will be hauled through on large motor trucks or shipped by rail will depend upon the comparative prices quoted.