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So Betty Jumped



All her life Betty La Grand wanted to make a parachute leap. She got her chance at the National Air races and before 85,000 people made the leap, the chute opened, she landed safely, then Betty smoked her pipe to steady the nerves.

MEMBERS JUNIOR ORDER IN MELON FEAST AND PICNIC

More Than Fifty Members of Local Order, Wives, Sweethearts and Children Spend Enjoyable Outing on Rich Mountain. Miss Maude Hostetter of Lexington Children's Home Tells of Work There.

Fifty-five persons, including members of Daniel Boone Council, J. O. U. A. M., their wives, children and friends, motored to the gap of the Rich Mountain, 10 miles from Boone, last Sunday and indulged in a sumptuous picnic supper and watermelon feast.

Miss Maude Hostetter, matron from the Junior Orphans Home at Lexington, was present, and was the only person to speak publicly. In a brief address she outlined the work being done at the institution, in caring for 250 orphaned children, and praised the Juniors for this worthy accomplishment.

The most of the afternoon was spent in playing different games and enjoying the views of the distant mountain peaks from the lofty elevation. After singing "America" and hearing the invocation by Attorney Wade E. Brown, the crowd enjoyed supper. It was a fine outing, everyone entered into the spirit of the occasion and a most happy afternoon was spent.

Those present were: Miss Hostetter, T. A. Weaver and family, Arthur Triplett, V. M. Presnell, Ralph Greene and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Greer, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Robertson, A. J. Moody and family, F. C. Wyke and son, R. D. Hodges and family, B. K. Osborne and family, W. C. Hawks, W. S. Christian, Wade E. Brown, Miss Sherrill, Dallas Shoemaker, S. B. Greene and family, Miss Lillian Reichert, Clyde R. Greene and family, and Mrs. L. S. Isaacs and children.

DIRECTORS FOR B. & L. CHOSEN

Stockholders Meet Monday Afternoon, Hear Report of the Secretary and Name Twelve as a Board of Directors.

The stockholders of the Watauga Building and Loan Association met at the offices in the Watauga Bank building Monday afternoon, named a board of directors for the ensuing term, heard a report of the Secretary and Treasurer, discussed other matters of business, and expressed a general feeling of hopefulness toward the future of the local home building institution.

The board of directors was named by unanimous consent and is as follows: R. H. Hardin, W. D. Farthing, H. G. Farthing, W. W. Mast, A. W. Smith, C. P. Hagaman, R. L. Bingham, W. L. Holshouser, L. A. Greene, C. M. Critcher, Rob Rivers and W. H. Gragg. All those named had served during the past year with the exception of Rob Rivers, who is the new member of the directorate.

T. L. MORETZ IS NAMED POSTMASTER AT DEEP GAP

Mr. T. L. Moretz has been named as postmaster at Deep Gap, this county, according to advices received early this week from the postoffice department. He succeeds Mr. J. E. Luther, well-known veteran of the Confederacy, who recently resigned on account of advanced age and ill health. Mr. Moretz's appointment is expected to meet with the approval of patrons of the office.

Friend A. G. Storie of Vilas paid one of his pleasant but infrequent calls at the Democrat office yesterday. He says the farmers in his section are greatly encouraged by their fine crops and the bright prospects of improved prices.

CHAS. S. STEVENSON NAMED COMMAND'R LOCAL LEGION POST

Officers for Coming Year Named at Friday Night Meeting. W. C. Greene to Serve as Adjutant. Commander Bryce Beard to Speak Here Friday Night. Plans Made for Elders' Convention Next Month.

Watauga Post 130, American Legion, and the Legion Auxiliary met in joint session Friday night, July 21st, with a large number of veterans and their wives in attendance. After disposing of routine business several short talks were made by members which were thoroughly enjoyed. On completion of the regular business, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Commander, Charles S. Stevenson; vice-commander, C. W. Teal; vice-commander, T. Asbury Weaver; adjutant, Walter C. Greene; finance officer, James T. Gross; service officer, Lionel Ward; guardianship officer, Spencer Miller; sergeant-at-arms, G. Niley Cooke; chaplain, J. Wilson Norris; historian, A. R. Smith; athletic officer, McCoy Bingham; Americanism officer, Charles L. Younce; graves registration officer, H. Grady Farthing; employment officer, B. Kelly Osborne; membership chairman, Ralph C. Greer; publicity officer, Thomas Cushing.

Delegates to Convention Named Immediately after the election of officers, the following were elected as delegates and alternates to the State Department convention, which will be held at Wrightsville Beach August 18th, 19th and 20th:

Delegates: Charles L. Younce, chairman; Lionel Ward, secretary; B. Kelly Osborne. Alternates: H. Grady Farthing, B. Frank Williams, Charles S. Stevenson.

Service Officer Lionel Ward stated at the meeting that he had received new forms for veterans to file for compensation, the details of which will be glad to explain to any veteran.

REV. W. E. POOVEY PASSES SUNDAY AT MOUNT AIRY

Presiding Elder of Methodist Episcopal Church South Succumbs to a Brief Illness. Was 56 Years Old. Native of Catawba County. Widow and Two Children Survive. Burial Tuesday Afternoon.

Rev. W. E. Poovey, 56, for the past four years presiding elder of the Mt. Airy district in the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference, died at a Mount Airy hospital Sunday night, following a two-weeks illness with abdominal cancer. Funeral services were held from the Central Methodist Church in that city on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, with Rev. J. T. Mangum and others officiating. Interment was made at Hickory, N. C., at 3 p. m. Several Boone people, including Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Brendall Jr., attended the rites.

Rev. Poovey, since his tenure began as presiding elder of this district, had spent much time in Watauga, where he had made a host of friends. He was known as one of the ablest elders in the entire conference, was a forceful preacher, and possessed a personality which had brought him to the front ranks of North Carolina Methodism. He had resided in Mount Airy for four years.

In addition to his church work, Rev. Poovey had been very active in civic and fraternal affairs. At the time of his death he was serving as master of the Mount Airy Masonic lodge, and was orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Rev. Poovey was born near Hickory on November 17th, 1879. He was educated at Rutherford College and Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va. He had been a minister in the Methodist Church for the past twenty-seven years. He was married to Miss Mabel Stroup, who is also a native of Hickory. To this union two children were born, Miss Maybelle Poovey of Duke University, Durham, and Edgar Poovey of Mount Airy, who with his widow survive him.

GOVERNOR HENRY C. STUART DIES TUESDAY IN VIRGINIA

Former Governor Henry C. Stuart of Virginia died Monday afternoon at his home at Elk Gardens, Russell County, at the age of 78 years. He had been ill for two weeks. Governor Stuart was a great horse fancier as well as livestock grower and herds of the choicest steers from Watauga County have annually gone to his plantation for winter feeding, the finished product being designed for the export trade.

TO CONDUCT REVIVAL MEETING HERE



Rev. B. E. Morris, of Statesville, who comes to Boone the first Sunday in August, where he will assist the pastor, Rev. P. A. Hicks, in conducting a two-weeks revival at the First Baptist Church.

REVIVAL MEETING TO BEGIN ON FIRST SUNDAY IN AUGUST

Rev. B. E. Morris, Noted Divine of Statesville, Will Assist the Pastor, Rev. P. A. Hicks, in Meeting at Boone Baptist Church. Mr. Freeman Will Be Director of Choir and in Charge of Young People's Work.

Rev. P. A. Hicks announces a series of revival meetings to begin at the First Baptist Church on the first Sunday in August at the 11 o'clock hour, with Rev. B. E. Morris of Statesville the principal sermonizer. Plans call for the holding of two services each day over a period of two weeks, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and at 8:00 in the evening.

Rev. Morris, who appeared here four years ago in what the pastor believes was the best meeting conducted since he accepted the local pastorate, is an evangelist of note, is a graduate of Wake Forest College, the Louisville Seminary, and has conducted meetings in some of the leading cities of the South. He is known as an exceptionally forceful sermonizer, and a Bible student of rare ability.

Mr. J. M. Freeman, also of Statesville, will be choir director during the revival, and will assist in the young people's work, while Miss Frances Freeman will be the pianist. Mrs. Guy H. Hill will be in charge of special music.

The afternoon services, says Mr. Hicks, will be planned so as to particularly appeal to the young people. He is especially anxious that all the people of the community join in these services, to the end that the greatest amount of benefit possible may result.

List Committees; Schools To Proceed; New Set Up

The machinery for the purpose of operating the schools of Watauga County under the new law has been placed in operation by the local Board of Education, and County Superintendent Smith Hagaman yesterday released to the press the list of the school committees for the year. For the purpose of administration, it is stated, 24 divisions have been set up, and committees have been named for each division as follows:

- 1. Beaver Dam: Timbered Ridge, Bethel, Forest Grove, Reese. Committee: Carter Farthing, Clark Tester, Roy Adams.
2. Mabel: Mabel, North Fork, Zionville, Silverstone, Tracy, Pottertown. Committee: Emory Greer, John Combs, Newt Mast.
3. Cove Creek: Cove Creek, Ivy Ridge, Rominger, Windy Gap, Kellersville, Presnell. Committee: Enoch Swift, Don Horton, Ira Edmisten.
4. Valle Crucis: Valle Crucis, Shulls Mills, Clarks Creek, Dutch Creek. Committee: J. E. Harbin, Tom Baird, Martin Herman.
5. Watauga: Foscoe, Grandfather. Committee: Dave Wike, John Fox, C. P. Moore.
6. Shawneehaw: Matney, Cool Springs. Committee: Lee Carrender, W. L. Welch, J. L. Triplett.
7. Boone: Boone, Poplar Grove. Committee: A. D. Wilson, C. B. Duncan, L. M. Farthing.
8. Oak Grove: Oak Grove, Committee: Lee Gross, Lionel Ward, Joe Hodges.
9. Brushy Fork: Brushy Fork. Committee: Grady Bradley, Asa Greene, S. E. Anderson.
10. Liberty Hill: Liberty Hill. Committee: Ed Walls, Will Anderson, Fowl Hollars.
11. Howards Creek: Howards Creek. Committee: F. P. Hodges, Bart Norris, Wilby Brown.
12. Rutherford: Rutherford. Committee: Roby Winkler, Roy Brown, Ralph Hodges.
13. Meat Camp: Green Valley, Chestnut Grove, Winebarger. Committee: Eynum Gross, Avery Greene, Willie Winebarger.
14. Rich Mountain: Rich Mountain. Committee: G. F. Culler, L. E. Beach, Carter Penley.
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QUARTERLY REPORT OF MARSHAL GRAGG SHOWS SUBSTANTIAL SAVING

Closely following the policy of President Franklin Roosevelt's economy program, Watt H. Gragg of Boone, marshal of the Middle District of North Carolina, revealed savings of a most substantial nature in his quarterly report covering expenditures made through that office, which was forwarded to the Department of Justice at Washington last week by Chief Deputy Marshal V. C. Bradley.

Marshal Gragg's report discloses that expenditures for the year ending June 30, 1932, aggregated \$186,028.16, while those for the year closing June 30, 1933, totaled \$140,002.38. These figures, therefore, show a saving of \$46,025.78 for the year just closed by comparison with the total for the 12 months immediately preceding.

For the period of three months ending June 30, 1932, disbursements reached a total of \$46,123.19, the exhibit reveals, while expenditures in April, May and June of this year aggregated only \$29,581.88, a reduction of \$16,541.31 for the quarter just closed by comparison with the corresponding period in 1932.

The Middle District of North Carolina embraces 26 counties, the Federal establishment being headed by Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of the United States District Court. Savings have been effected in almost every department of activity. Principal factors in the greatly reduced expenditures shown by the Marshal's report have been lower fees for witnesses and jurors, cuts in the salaries of officers and employees and decreases in charges for the maintenance of prisoners.

Carolina Store Men Hold Meeting at Lenoir

Messrs. T. M. Greer, Marshal Stallings and Cecil Miller, who operate the two Carolina Stores in Boone, attended the annual meeting of store managers and clerks in Lenoir Tuesday evening. The manager Mr. H. M. Winborne, spoke on the subject of the general sales tax, and pledged support to the President's recovery program. Refreshments were served, and a most enjoyable evening ensued. The fact that business is really improving was borne out by the testimony of all the managers, each one noting a marked increase in summer business, and the superintendent predicted a steady upturn in sales.

Boone Boy Will Get Free Trip to Detroit

Thomas Lee Greene, son of Mr. Rufus Greene of this city, was adjudged winner of the mileage contest sponsored by the Smith Motor Sales, and as a result of his having driven a new Ford further to the gallon of gas than any of his competitors, will be given an expense-paid trip to the Ford plant in Detroit. More than a hundred competed for the prize and intense interest was shown throughout the contest which closed Saturday evening.

Six fowl pox vaccination demonstrations were held in Alamance last week at which time a total of 1,500 pullets were vaccinated.

BROWN IS LOCAL LOAN ATTORNEY

Harrison Baker Named Appraiser for Home Owners Loan Corporation. Application Blanks Now on Hand at Office of Local Attorney.

Mr. Wade E. Brown, Boone lawyer, has been designated attorney for Watauga County for the Home Owners Loan Corporation, and Harrison Baker of Meat Camp has been named as appraiser for this section.

The duties of the attorney, it is pointed out, will include title examination, agency for borrowers, and such other work as may be asked. Mr. Brown will lend every possible assistance to distressed home owners, according to the act of Congress which created the corporation.

Mr. Harrison Baker of the Meat Camp section has, at the same time, been named as appraiser for Watauga County, and will determine the proper valuations of the property on which loans are desired.

The North Carolina Agency is located at Salisbury, and a part of the letter received by Mr. Brown from State Manager Alan S. O'Neal follows:

Mr. O'Neal's Letter

We are glad to herewith designate you as the attorney in your county to do such title examination and other necessary and similar work, as an agent for such borrowers as we may, from time to time, grant mortgage relief on their homes. All such work is to be done on a fee basis, not in excess of the schedule of fees to be approved and furnished you. * * *

"We feel that our responsibility is somewhat in excess of that of the usual matters of such nature, for we are charged with the administration of the much needed relief provided by Congress at the suggestion of President Roosevelt for our distressed home owners. The people of our State need relief and encouragement in their struggle to save their homes and this agency must lend every possible concerted effort to promptly and efficiently carry out the purpose for which this corporation was created. In this work I sincerely trust we may have your determined and active co-operation. * * *"

Mr. Brown now has a supply of application blanks and instructions, and all those interested in saving their property from foreclosure are asked to make inquiries at his office in Boone.

BEREAN CLASS OF BAPTIST CHURCH TO VISIT ORPHANAGE

The Berean Sunday School class of the Boone Baptist Church plans an outing to Thomasville next Sunday, where they will go through the plant of Mills Home, denominational orphanage. I. G. Greer, superintendent at Mills Home, was formerly teacher of this class. All those interested in making the trip have been asked to get in touch with S. M. Ayers who is in charge of transportation arrangements.

JUNIOR ORDER MOVING PICTURE On Thursday night, July 27, at 8 o'clock, District Deputy C. W. Snyder will present the Junior Order movie at the courthouse in Boone, to which the public is cordially invited. There will be no admission charge. This picture shows views of the orphan homes in Tiffin, Ohio, and Lexington, N. C., and provides good entertainment.