

MOLLYCODDLES . . . good word was President Theodore Roose velt who gave popularity to the good old English word "Mollycoddle." By that he meant someone who had everything done for him and was incapable or afraid of doing or trying to do anything for himself. I think, looking back over the preceding para-graphs, that I have been taking a leaf out of Col. Roosevell's book

There isn't any way to count them, but it seems to me that moliyeod-dies are a great deal more numerous new than they used to be when Col. Rossevelt and I were both young. I wonder, sometimes, whether the boy of to lay gets the chance to be anything else. Keeping boys in school until they are sixteen, forbidding them to work if they are under eighteen, seem to me to be excellent ways of rearing mollycoddles. If a boy hasn't learned to fight his own battles against the world before he is eight-

DEFEATISM . . . since the war

I am sometimes aghast as I listen inducted into office. The change is to young folk talking about there being no opportunities left. There before the first of the month. being no opportunities iero. The Mr. Hartzog, who has long been seems to have grown up since the faithful follower of the Democracy wer a school of thought which I can won first place in a competitive experience as "defeatism," a won first place in a competitive experience of the latter part.

notes that this country had become administration and is being generally so completely settled and explored congratulated upon his attainment. that there is nothing ahead for the A number of other Democrats were young except to find a good safe hole and crawl into it. And that the Government must help them find the liams and Mr. R. F. McDade, both of boles.

SECURITY . . . there is none There is no such thing as secur-

ity, of property, of income, of any-thing else, for that matter. How can there be, when there is no security LEGION AUXILIARY of life itself?

One of the present-day tendencies that makes me wonder whether there are not a lot of wrong ideas in cur-culation is the idea that so many youngsters have that they are entitled to security, to a job as soon as they graduate from high school or college, to a safe place in which to earn big money for little work.

I think that idea, that everybody is entitled to security, has been forby the distribution of enormous sums of public money to persons who Day," Saturday, May 26th, will recall have rendered no return for it and vivid pictures to the minds of World

The only life worth living is the adventurous life I do not mean by that that everyone should be an explorer or run into needless risks, but I do mean that the most degrading and softening influence upon human character is refusal or fear to take chances. Show me a man who never risked his fortune or his life whether or for an ideal or for gain, and I will show you a man who is to be despendent of the control of the contro

President Theodore Roosevelt expressed the same idea when he spoke the men who gave their lives for of the "strenuous life." Both meant America in the World War will be fullest if he does with all his might city Saturday, May 26th, by whatever it is he wishes to do, withconsequence to himself

of the game, and not with the false for the poppies here will be devoted Mea of winning.

SCOUTS . . . into the wilds ears, into which boys of today are County. to get. That is plant-hunting for the Department of Agriculture. is real and ratisfying advenin going to the wilds of the and finding new varieties of ints which can be introduced into is country. I know one of the best son-in-law of Professor Bell, bdependent means, he has devothis life to enriching his country lid the most satisfying life of ville, followed by the consecration of man I ever knew.

Knowles Ryerson, chief of the met Gribbin, assisted by Rev. H. A. u of Plant Industry, says that Dobbin of Legerwood and Rev. Mr. not all who try to equip them- Scratchley. as plant hunters succeed in and useful opportunities Gribbin. stem off from such prepara- On Monday at 8 p. m. the graduat-

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DOUGHTON ASKS THAT HARTZOG BE POSTMASTER

Local Contractor Wins Congressional Recommendation for Important Position and Appointment and Senate Confirmation Expected to Come Quickly. Appointee Carried Overwhelming Democratic Endorsement

Wiley G. Hartzog, prominent building contractor of Boone, was recommended for the postmastership in this city last Monday by Congressman R. L. Doughton, to succeed A. W. Smith, whose resignation was tendered effective as of last March 31.

The appointment is expected to be made at an early date, but since it n, he hasn't much chance to learn has to be confirmed by the Senate, a few days are expected to elapse be-fore the necessary routine may be carried out and Mr. Hartzog actually

belief that the last frontier has been amination conducted the latter part conquered and there is no more of February and was accorded prac-chance for enterprising youth to satisfy the spirit of adventure and the of the Democratic leaders of the town urge to rise by his own efforts. and county. He has lived in this city Unfortunately that feeling has been for perhaps twenty years where he encouraged by those in high place has been engaged in teaching and who ought to know better I cannot contracting He is well equipped to car help feeling that President Roose. Ty on the duties of the postmasterhelp feeling that President Roose, by on the duties of the postmaster-vell did not stop to think his subject, ship in the same efficient manner through before he promulgated the which has characterized Mr. Smith's

Whose names were placed below that of Mr. Hartzog on the eligible list made public by the Civil Service Com-

TO SELL POPPIES

Saturday, May 26th, Designated as Poppy Day. Money Raised by Sale of Paper Flowers to Be Used for Rehabilitation of Veterans.

The memorial poppies which the women of the American Legion Auxwho, in many instances, could have got by, somehow, without it. It may states Mrs. Lloyd S. Isaacs, president take us a long time to get back to of the local organization. The poppies the realization that uncarned security is the brand of the panper.

ADVENTURE . . . means risk

War veterans who served overseas, the states Mrs. Lloyd S. Isaacs, president umit of credit each, will be the maximum load allowed to any student.

Classes will start at 8 o clock and will continue until 12:30. Students will not be required to remain at school the whole morning unless they are taking two subjects.

spised rather than envied, no matter how wealthy he may be in worldly goods. His spirit is a poor, wishy-wealthy thing. Friedrich Nietzche, the great Ger-fan philosopher, hailed what he called the "dangerous life," as the only way for a man to save his soul. Poppies to be worn in tribute to

that one can only live life to the offered on the streets throughout the American Legion Auxiliary Women. out thinking about money or possible Men of the Legion are co-operating in promotion of the project. The pop-There is nothing to life but living pies, paper replicas of the flowers it. Nobody can win the game with that grew on the battle fields, have death. The thing to do, it seems to been made by disabled veterans in is to play the game for the sake hospitals. All contributions received to the rehabilitation and welfare work of the Legion and Auxiliary among the disabled veterans and the depen-There is one line of adventure, it dent families of veterans of Watauga

Closing Exercises at

On Saturday night, May 26th, at 8:30 o'clock Class Day exercises for Valle Crucis School will be held in the dining room of the institution the dining room of the institution invented the telephone. A man the dining room of the institution.

Sunday morning at 7:30 there will be a celebration of the Holy Combringing back many valuable food munion. At 11 o'clock the consecrainto which he found in odd corners tion sermon will be preached by the world. I have always thought Rev. Preston Burke of Henderson-Holy Cross Church by Richop Em-

On Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock ring, there are many other in- there will be confirmation by Bishop

craving for constructive and receive diplomas, Bishop Gribbin delivering the graduating address.



MADISON, Wis. Professor Samuel Rogers (above), Frombi in-structor at the University of Wis-consin and the father of three children, is winner of the \$10,000 prize for his novel, "Dusk at the Grove."

not expected by many local people before the first of the month. **SUMMER TERM 5TH**

Summer Course Offered for Renefit of Specific Groups of Students. Minimum Tuition Fees Are Established, Classes at 8.

The summer school session of Boone High School will start simultaneouswith that of the College on June 5. The school will be operated to meet the needs of three distinct groups: that group that is delinquent in one or more studies; second, that group which is not delinquent but feels the need of strengthening itself in certain subjects; third, that group which wishes to broaden its education er to finish in a shorter time than the egularly required four years. Generally, the third group will be restricted to those who have been cited for the the year. The summer school may not be used for lightening the subsequent rear's work.

Mar subjects for which there is a de-mand sufficient to justify organizing class. There can be however, no clases offered in home economics. Stuients who have not previously enrolled in Boone High School must make arrangements for entering before June 5. The principal of the summer school will be in the school office on Monday June 4th, for the purpose of inter-viewing new students.

Tuition for the summer school will a three dollars for the half course or five dollars for two half courses

will continue until 12:30. Students will to Raleigh Saturday and submitted not be required to remain at school his report to Commissioner Hood, rec-

DIST. MEET HERE

Miss Lucy Finley of North Wilkesboro to Preside Over Sessions Friday, Officers to Be Elected, Luncheon at Daniel Boone Hotel.

The meeting of the Second District. will be held at the Methodist Church ing satisfactory progress in erasing in Boone on Friday, May 25th, be-indebtedness and getting the note ginning at 10:45 a. m. Miss Lucy case in shape, and that with the condirector, will preside over the meet-

An interesting program has been arranged, and delegates are expected be put into effect. to attend from all the chapters in The district, Granite Falls, Lenoir, Marion, Morganton, North Wilkesboro, MEMORIAL EVENT Old Fort and Sparta. A special fea-ture will be the address of Mrs. James Edward Woodard, president of the North Carolina U. D. C.

The Boone Chapter will be hostess to the attending delegates at lunchcon at the Daniel Boone Hotel, each is a rule in the district. The regular routine of business will be transacted, and officers elected for the ensuing year. The complete program

Valle Crucis School J. H. Brendall, Boone Methodist Church; pledge to the Confederate flag, led by Mrs. Alice Hardin; wel-come, Mrs. J. M. Moretz, president ley Guards Chapter, North Wilkesboro; minutes of the last meeting, Mrs. C. D. Coffey, secretary, Wilkes Valley Guards Chapter, North Wilkesboro; appointment of committees; solo, Mrs. Hooper Hendrix, Boone; address by division president, Mrs. James Edwin Woodard, Wilson; luncheon, Daniel Boone Hotel; reports of chapters, reports of committees: annual election; adjournment.

> The first herd of Jersey cattle to one owned by Granada Farms in Caldwell County.

SUDDERTH NAMED POSTMASTER; NEW JUDGE IN PROSPECT

Judge of Recorders Court Accepts Blowing Rock Postmastership, Had No Opposition. Had Served as Judge Since Court Was Created, John H. Bingham Appears Likely Successor. Commissioners to Act Quickly

George M. Sudderth, Judge of the Recorder's Court and well known lawyer of Blowing Rock has been ap-pointed postmaster in that city and it is understood will assume the du-tics of his office during the present week, meantime the County Commissioners are faced with the responsibility of filling his seat on the court bench in time for Tuesday's session, and a special meeting is in prospect for that purpose.

Was Unopposed

Judge Sudderth did not encounter apposition in his race for the postmaster, the Democracy of his com-munity having united socially behind hin, for the preferment. He has a background of wide business exper-ience as a banker and lawyer and has been a moving force in the Democratic party for many years. He will succeed Howard P. Holshouser, who has served the public efficiently as post-master for more than two years.

Bingham Favored as Judge

Hon John H. Ringbam of Sugar Grove has been sponsored by a large group of friends for the Recorder's Court Judgeship since it became known that Mr. Sudderth would retire, and best information would indicate his being appointed by the commissioners when Saturday or Monday. Mr. Bingham has not sought the

ALLEN SUBMITS

State Bank Examiner Recommends Watauga County Bank for Federal Deposit Insurance in Report to Raleigh, Final Check Expected.

Mr. John G. Alien, special examinfor the State Banking Department, who has been here for the past several weeks checking over the affairs of the Watauga County Bank, went ommending the local institution for membership in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

This membership would automatically insure all bank deposits in the future up to and including \$2,500. Commissioner Hood in turn made a similar recommendation to the Wash. ington authorities and Federal examiners are expected here within the next few days to make a final checkup on the institution, which in turn under the new Federal guarantee.

Mr. G. P. Hagaman, cashier, states United Daughters of the Confederacy, that the Watauga Bank is still mak-Finley of North Wilkesboro, district tinued influx of Federal loan money to aid the borrowers, that all else should be ready for the opening by the time the deposit insurance can

ON NEXT SUNDAY

American Legion Sponsors Memorial Day Services at Cove Creek Baptist Church, Rev. Avery Church Will Preach.

The annual Memorial Day services conducted by the Watauga Post American Legion, will be held next Sunday at the Cove Creek Eaptist church which time Rev. Avery Church of North Wilkesboro, noted Baptist divine, will preach.

In keeping with the custom of several years the services are rotated among the different churches of the town and county, and are strictly union gatherings. All denominations are cordially invited to join in the services, whose sponsors especially insist that all veterans of the World War, Spanish-American War and Civil War attend.

The services begin at 11 o'clock and the following program has been arranged:

Invocation; Song-"America"; An-North Wilkesboro; Invitation Hymn. is possible.



KANSAS CITY Senator James A. Reed (above), is of the opinion that he is needed in Washington again to early Bolshevik trends and is reported as being in the race to regain his Senate seat.

PARK ROAD GROUP TO ARRIVE TODAY

Party of State and Federal Officials to Spend Wednesday Night at Blowing Rock on Trip Over Proposed Highway Route

Headed by George L. Raddiffs and while a companion took to the mounthecolore E. Straus, special advisers thus. Critcher and Story, with other public works to Secretary of the ers in the party, fired several scots interior lekes, the federal and state after the fugitives, and both believe oppointed by the parkway inspection party of about they registered hits However, the sixteen is expected to arrive at Plowing Rock this (Wednesday) afternoon though belief was Similar than the parkway in the parkway

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up on the institution, which in turn is expected to result in its inclusion under the new Federal suarantee. engineer of the highway department, ing, but the driver condoned him, the and James H. Councill, district resi- car was stopped and the bandits prodent engineer of Boone.

Boone Station Wins in

a \$15 cash prize for having excelled worst of the two apparently. in a ticket sales contest conducted during the months of February, March and April. Boone was in direct competition with 84 stations in several states and won the prize for the greatest percentage increase in ticket sales

Boone was the only station in the state that won and had the largest Huffman were seriously injured. Pitts sales increase of the other four di- was shot square through both hips, visions. The average increase over last year in Greyhound sales was 491.3%, which was seconded by Bel ed men are reported by hospital at-Air, Ohio with 245.6% gain.

These marked increases in ticket ress toward recovery. sales in Boone have attracted wide attention over the entire Greyhound System, states Mr. Wilcox, and have resulted in many inquiries as to the type of Mountain city Boone really is. Valuable publicity has resulted from the giving of the contest result to all stations in the entire system.

Senator Reynolds May

been extended an invitation to address the meeting of the North Car- ties. Prior to the theft of the Crit-Invocation: Song—America; And offers the interior of the Chaptain W. C. Greene; Prayer, Rev. Elk, July 11th. Capus M. Waynick, scription of the desperadoes are said Church; Song-"My Faith Looks chairman of the program committee, to have stayed in Boone for a day etem off from such preparation on Monday at 8 p. m. the graduat- he classified in this State by the Up to Thee"; Reading, "In Flanders issued the invitation, and it was said or two.

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BANDITS ROB TAXI MAN; SHOOT POLICE ONE IS CAPTURED

Blowing Rock Man Robbed of Car, Begs Bandits to Spare Life, Raid Near Erwin Takes One Man. Same Couple Who Seriously Injured Two Newton Officers Friday, Prisoner Is an Escaped Convict.

Cecil Critcher, Blowing Rock taxi man, who was adducted and his au-tomobile stolen by two passengers last Thursday afternoon, participated in a raid on a mountain hidrout of the bandits near Erwin, Tern. Sunday, positively identified one man taken as one of his assailants, and acledged in jail. Meantime two Newton officers, dangerously wound-ed, identified the prisoner, Will King, 27, as one of a trie who fired near fatal shots as they attempted to search the macnine in that city early Friday. The stolen automobile, re-covered by Critcher, bears three bul-lar balls fired by the officers. let holes fired by the officers in New-

King was captured early Sunday at a lumber camp near Erwin, and did not resist arrest. Eugene Story, chief police of Blowing Rock and Cent Critcher accompanied Cheriff Barrs of Catawia County to the Tennessee city, after they had received a megsage telling of locating Critcher's new sedan. King was easily taken, and will spend the night at that place was fairly well surrounded in the

oline and Tennessee.

Members of the party have indicated village. About two miles this side of Members of the party have indicated things. About two miles this side of ed that other inspections and surveys. Blowing Rock one of the passengers of the proposed routes may be necessary before a decision is made as to just where the scenic roadway will be located. The greatest concern, at he constant is the collection. the present, it is said, is the collection much currency, and presumed that as much data as possible on sug- what he had would satisfy them. Inof as much take as possible on suggested locations.

This is the third inspection trip undertaken, the first attempt in March
having been cut short by bed weather
and an zerial survey attempted in
April given up for the same reason
Federal officials in the inspection
party, besides Messrs Radeliffe and
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W. M. Austin, engineer of the bureau
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in hopes someone on the street would
sense his plight, but with the assurgineer of the bureau
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of public roads; W. I. Lee and A. B. Omohundro, construction engineers of the bureau of public roads in charge of Smoky Park work; Thomas C. Vint chief landscape architect of the national park service; A. W. Abbott, assistant special parkway landscape architect; and C. K. Sinners, right of way engineer for the park service.

Representing North Carolina in the inspection party are E. B. Jeffries of car, and besough them to do him no ng persisted in his argument for slavceeded on their way.

Critcher reached Banner Elk quickly as possible where he telephoned to police officers in Tennes-Bus Ticket Competition see, this action probably resulting Mr. Herman Wilcox, manager of the capture of the man. King was the local bus terminal, recently won said by Critcher to have been the

Proceeding on their way, the officors secured Tennessee license tags for the new Chevrolet car they had stolen, and circled around to Newton, where their suspicious conduct caused officers in that city to attempt a search A gun battle ensued and Dep. Sheriff Ray Pitts and Arthur while Huffman was shot through the abdomen and in the wrist. The woundtaches as making satisfactory prog-

King, who escaped from Sanator-ium, N. C., where he had been sent by State Prison authorities for tuberculosis treatment, was sentenced to from twenty to thirty years by Judge Finley in 1932 for robbing a bank at Biscoe, N. C. His home is said to have been in Randelph County, and he is said to be wanted for bank robbery in a small town near

Johnson City, Tenn. The sheriff of Catawba County Speak at Press Meeting states that King will likely be held in Newton jail until a preliminary Senator Robert R. Reynolds has hearing is held, instead of being returned to the State Prison authori-

> Miss Francis Maltba is right serjously ill at her home here.