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A QUIET EVENT

Folks hereabouts sure do love their mummies... they poke posies in their buttonholes and pin 'em on their frocks when Mother's Day rolls round...

But with daddy dear... it's quite a different ditty! Last Sunday, set apart by some sentimental mortal as Father's Day, was just another period of church-going, car-riding and coca-cola-drinking...

Perhaps, away out yonder in the hazy future, the folks will learn to understand just how much their fathers really counted... just how many heartaches and heartbreaks and miseries of one kind and another these "old men" of ours endured...

PAGE CINDERELLA!

A couple of pretty little girls, along about sixteen, slowly made their way through the crowds on Main Street, Saturday afternoon. One of them wore a hand-made gown of cheap pink rayon...

There was something downright pitiful about that pair of country lassies... something that sort of pulled at a fellow's heartstrings! It was easy to envision the privations they had suffered to obtain those dresses, those shoes, those hats...

And on Saturday afternoon they donned their "glad rags" for the trip to Boone... so that folks might gaze upon the splendor of their accomplishment. But you could tell, mighty easily, as they paraded along the street, that things were not as they expected. Sophisticated-summer visitors, daughters of the near-wealthy, along with the hundreds of school teachers, milled about them...

HAVE YOU MET ONE?

It's a campaign year... and we're going to have a few candidates for office... no question about it! Candidates are amusing critters... especially those who seek the nominations of the two political parties for our county offices.

With weather conditions favorable for the crop, Irish potatoes in Eastern North Carolina are growing well. Digging began in Beaufort County last week.

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INSURANCE MEN IN CONVENTION AT BLOWING ROCK

More Than One Hundred Agents Gather from Over State in Annual Association Meet. C. W. Coghill of Rocky Mount Presides. Hon. Dan C. Boney, State Insurance Commissioner, Delivers Principal Address.

More than one hundred insurance men gathered at Mayview Manor, Blowing Rock, Sunday evening for the thirty-seventh annual convention of the North Carolina Association of Insurance Agents, Inc., which closed its sessions Tuesday afternoon.

Presiding over the meeting was President C. W. Coghill of Rocky Mount. The two-day convention was featured by an address Tuesday morning by Dan C. Boney, State Insurance Commissioner, of Raleigh. Frank T. Priest, Wichita, Kansas, official representative of the National Association of Insurance Agents, spoke from the subject "Producing Back to Prosperity," while John D. Sant of Raleigh, manager of the association, led a round-table discussion for local agents.

A family supper was arranged for Monday night to take the place of the informal banquet.

Tuesday morning brought conference reports and W. Landon Hill, of the North Carolina rating and inspection bureau, spoke. The address of Mr. Boney was followed by a joint conference on stock insurance competition and salesmanship. Among the topics for discussion was a State code of fair competition.

The vanguard of convention delegates and their wives came Sunday, and the visitors were beginning to leave the mountain top Tuesday evening.

LEGION MEETING WELL ATTENDED

District Assembly Addressed by Mrs. W. R. Absner, State Auxiliary. President, Attorney W. R. Lovell Delivers Main Speech.

A meeting of the Seventeenth District, American Legion and Auxiliary, was held in Boone last Friday evening, with Vice-Commander Alexander of Spruce Pine presiding as toastmaster. After listening to an inspiring address by Mrs. W. R. Absner, State president of the Auxiliary, Adjutant W. C. Greene of the local post introduced Miss Rachel Payne Sugg, director of the Child Welfare Survey, who explained the purposes of the work being done by the Legion and Auxiliary throughout North Carolina.

Hon. W. R. Lovell of Boone delivered the principal address of the evening, following which a sumptuous luncheon was enjoyed by all. More than fifty veterans of the World War were present.

Higgins Confirmed As U. S. Attorney

Carlisle W. Higgins of Sparta was confirmed last week as district attorney for the Middle North Carolina District, and is expected to assume his duties on or about the first of July, at which time he tenders his resignation as solicitor of the Eleventh Judicial District.

It is said that Allen H. Gwyn of Reidsville is slated to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Higgins as Solicitor.

ART APPRECIATION PROJECT TO BE CONDUCTED AT A. S. T. C.

The public is invited to attend a series of illustrated art lectures and exhibits, which are being sponsored by A. S. T. C., the State Department of Public Instruction, and directed by Miss Leila Mechlin, Washington, D. C.

The first of these lectures, "The Chicago Art Institute," by Harshe, will be given Friday evening, June 22, at 8:15 p. m., and will be delivered by Prof. G. P. Eggers. Announcements will be made within the next few days concerning a lecture on "Italy and Her Art," to be given by Dr. Amos Abrams, and another, "American Decorative Arts," by Cornelius. This project is under the direction of Miss Katherine Harwell, local chairman.

Mr. W. F. Miller has been unable to attend to his business and official duties during the past few days because of illness, and although his condition is not described as serious, the popular gentleman is yet confined to his home.

Hyde County farmers are planning to co-operate in the selling of wool sheared from their sheep.

Loses Heavyweight Title



Primo Carnera, ponderous Italian fighter, who was vanquished in the tenth round of a scheduled fifteen-round encounter with Max Baer last Thursday night. The new champion, trained by Jack Dempsey, re-named "Manassas Mauler," knocked the Italian to the canvas in every round of the exciting bout. Carnera's backers have indicated a desire for another match.

FAULTY RED COON WINS JURY AWARD

Jim McGhinis Finds Foreign Matter in Favorite Plug Tobacco, Sues for \$500 and Wins. Defendants Appeal to Superior Court.

A faulty plug of chewing tobacco, bought by Jim McGhinis of Boone last fall, and allegedly containing foreign substances injurious to the health of complainant, resulted in a jury verdict of \$500 against Taylor Brothers Tobacco Company in Recorder's Court Tuesday. Defendants filed notice of appeal to the Superior Court.

Those taking the stand for McGhinis told of a substance found in a plug of Red Coon, the testimony varying from hemp and stem fibers to a filthy mass of unknown character. The plaintiff alleged that he became seriously ill from the effects of the tobacco and suffered a continued illness. The testimony was corroborated by Mrs. McGhinis. A plug of tobacco of a different brand but made by the same company was introduced into the trial, in which a mouse had been found, and which had won a compromise payment of \$400 to a local man several months ago.

Mr. Taylor, superintendent of the tobacco manufacturing plant, and two other representatives of the company were present to explain the virtual impossibility of foreign substances getting into the machinery during the process of manufacture, while Dr. J. B. Hagaman, who attended McGhinis, was unable to swear that the chew of tobacco brought illness to plaintiff.

The trial created unusual interest and the courtroom held a large audience throughout the trial. McGhinis was represented by Messrs. Lovell & Zimmerman and J. E. Holsauser, while Messrs. F. C. Bowie and John E. Brown appeared for the defendants.

Other Cases Heard

Henry Pennell was haled before the court on the charge of larceny of \$258, and Judge Bingham bound him to Superior Court. In default of \$500 bond he was remanded to jail.

Tom Bungarner, arraigned for the possession of one-half pint of whiskey, was dismissed upon payment of cost.

J. H. Ashby, charged with assault, was fined \$15 and the cost.

Baptist Ministers Form Pastors Conference

A group of pastors from Avery, Watauga, Wilkes and Ashe counties met with the Boone Baptist Church on Monday, June 18th, and organized the Northwestern Baptist Pastors Conference, electing the following officers for the coming year: Rev. P. A. Hicks, Boone, president; Rev. P. E. Downs, West Jefferson, secretary. The conference will meet quarterly.

A large group of pastors was present and the promotional work of the mountain associations was discussed by Rev. Roy Davis, Newland, Rev. Dewey Danner, Crossnore, Rev. Downs, Rev. J. A. McKaughan and others. Following the program, ladies of the church served a very refreshing plate lunch to the ministers.

The next meeting of the conference will be held at the West Jefferson Baptist Church on September 17th.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME

The residence of James Lewis, who lives near Trade, Tenn., was completely destroyed by fire last Saturday evening, according to information coming to Boone the first of the week. All household furnishings were a complete loss and a quantity of edibles, canned fruit, etc., went up in smoke. A number of chickens quartered near the dwelling likewise perished. The frame building was believed to have caught fire from a defective flue. No estimates as to the amount of the loss were advanced.

FEDERAL CHECKS FOR GROWERS OF BURLEY RECEIVED

Farmers of Watauga Will Be Paid \$870 for Acreage Rentals. Checks May Be Obtained from W. H. Walker at County Courthouse. Second Payment Will Come Soon. Signatures Must Be Accurate.

Federal checks for rental payments under Burley tobacco contracts, have been received by W. H. Walker, and may be obtained at the office of the Board of Education on Monday of next week, or any day thereafter.

Mr. Walker, who is county chairman of the Tobacco Control Association, stated yesterday that there are 127 checks which aggregate \$870.00. This represents the rental payment only, which is based on \$20 per acre for land let to the Government. Persons who signed the contracts and marketing cards must call for checks and sign receipts exactly as signatures were affixed to contracts. All checks not called for within ten days will be sent back to Washington.

Mr. Walker further stated that the second installment, which is a payment of 10% of 1933 sales, will be distributed to growers later.

Child Welfare Survey Continues in Watauga

The State-wide Child Welfare Survey, sponsored by the American Legion, continues in Watauga County, and indications are that a complete registration of disabled children in this section will be accomplished. Mr. W. C. Greene, adjutant of the local Legion post, Tuesday issued the following statement to World War veterans of Watauga:

"The Child Welfare Survey which is now in progress is being sponsored by the American Legion, Department of North Carolina, and it is essential that every World War veteran register his name with Mrs. Charles L. Younce at the county courthouse, whether he has physically handicapped children or not.

"It is also his duty and privilege to do service for humanity by locating every physically handicapped child in the county and reporting same to Mrs. Younce.

"Watauga County led the State in the number of cards sent in for the week ending June 7th.

"The time is limited. Comrades, let me urge you to act immediately in this worthy cause, today is the time to put this over 100 per cent. Let our slogan be, 'Watauga has, Watauga can, and Watauga will.'"

W. M. U. MEETS AT BLOWING ROCK

Mrs. J. L. Qualls Presides at Annual Assembly of Three Forks Association. More Than One Hundred Delegates Present.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association held its annual meeting at Blowing Rock Baptist Church Thursday, with Mrs. J. L. Qualls presiding.

The morning session opened at 10 o'clock. The devotional was led by Mrs. Rodney Greene, of Middle Fork Baptist Church. The welcome address was by Mrs. D. P. Coffey, of Blowing Rock. Mrs. Ray Wilson, of Bethel Baptist Church, spoke on the subject, "Recapturing the Rapture of Prayer." Mrs. Ethel Hodges, of Poplar Grove church, spoke on "Knowledge Stimulates Prayer." The Boone W. M. U. presented a short play entitled "Prayer," and Mrs. Edna Harris, State W. M. U. corresponding secretary, delivered an address on the subject, "Wanted."

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 o'clock for lunch, which was served by the Blowing Rock W. M. U. at the school lunch room. Mrs. Lloyd Robbins, Mrs. Kent Brown and Mrs. Spencer Greene acting as hostesses.

The young people's program was presented at the afternoon session. The principal address was by Mrs. Dave Horton, of Cove Creek Baptist Church, her subject being "Stewardship." Short talks were made by the Rev. Roy Davis, newly-elected pastor of the Blowing Rock Baptist Church, and the Rev. J. A. McKaughan, pastor of the Cove Creek Baptist Church. A short playlet was presented by the Y. W. C. A. of Boone. A group from Cove Creek furnished special music.

The meeting was attended by more than 100 delegates from all parts of the county.

Spurling's Majority in District Is 12,037

Solicitor L. S. Spurling of Lenoir was renominated to succeed himself in the June primary by a majority of 12,037 over Theodore F. Cummings of Hickory, according to the official canvass of the Sixteenth District vote by the State Board of Elections. The total vote was: Spurling, 17,010; Cummings, 4,982.

New G. O. P. Chairman



Henry P. Fletcher of Pennsylvania is the new chairman of the Republican National Committee. Mr. Fletcher was a Teddy Roosevelt Rough Rider in Cuba, former ambassador to Italy, and a Hoover supporter.

800 ENROLLED AT SUMMER SCHOOL

Twelve Per Cent Increase Is Noted Over Last Year. Many Graduates Are Present, 93 Colleges and Universities Represented.

The enrollment for the first summer term at Appalachian State Teachers College is found to have shown a twelve per cent increase over the same period last year, 808 teachers now being in attendance. Sixty of these hold bachelor's degrees and two have masters degrees. A number of the graduates are taking educational work to qualify for Class A certificates, while others are taking courses necessary for securing principal's certificates.

A review of the student body has indicated that the certificates held range from elementary B, the lowest class issued, to the various types of Class A certificates as follows: Primary B, 55; elementary A, 134; Primary C, 82; grammar grade C, 99; primary B, 89; grammar grade O, 88; primary A, 19; grammar grade A, 20; high school B, 12; high school A, 30; and elementary principal's certificates, 3.

In addition to the foregoing, Appalachian College is conducting an auxiliary summer school at Dobson, where eighty-two additional students have been enrolled, making a grand total for the first term of 890.

Ninety-two different colleges and universities are represented in the student body, of whom five hundred and sixty-four are former students of Appalachia. The next largest group from any one college is forty-three from the Women's College of the University of North Carolina.

Pension Checks Now In Hands of Clerk

Pension checks for the four remaining veterans of the Confederate armies and for the 24 surviving widows of veterans have been received at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court and are being delivered. Those who find it impossible to come for their check may on request have it mailed, or sent for it.

The four remaining veterans are J. E. Luther, Enoch Swift, William Norris and Lemuel Green.

JUDGESHIP RACE BEING CONTESTED

Board of Elections Making Investigations in Two Counties to Uncover Alleged Fraud in Race Between Rousseau and Burke.

Certification of the vote in the Seventeenth District judgeship contest has been withheld pending an investigation by the State Board of Elections of irregularities in Wilkes and Alexander counties, where both supporters of J. Hayden Burke of Taylorsville and J. A. Rousseau of North Wilkesboro, allege gross irregularities occurred in the recent primary.

Rousseau states that in Alexander County members of both political parties voted both tickets and that the practice was county-wide. Burke supporters claim that in North Wilkesboro Township, Wilkes County, some citizens voted as many as four times.

These charges prompted the State Board to arrange a hearing at Taylorsville yesterday and one in North Wilkesboro today (Thursday), following which hearings the matter is expected to be definitely settled.

In the primary June 2, J. Hayden Burke received 4,841 votes; J. A. Rousseau, 4,746, and John W. Ragland, Spruce Pine, 1,024, according to the returns certified by the county boards of elections in the six counties in the district.

IVAN MORETZ IS BADLY SLASHED DRUNKEN MELEE

Meat Camp Resident May Succumb to Knife Wound in Back. Drunken Brawl Occurred Sunday Afternoon, and Frank Trivett Accused of Wielding Weapon. Willard Green Lodged in Jail. Two Others at Large.

Ivan Moretz, 25-year-old resident of upper Meat Camp, is said to be in a very critical condition as a result of a knife wound, allegedly inflicted by Frank Trivett in what is described as a drunken brawl in that community last Sunday afternoon. Reports coming to Sheriff Howell Wednesday morning indicate that the wounded man has little chance of recovery. A statement from the attending physician could not be secured at press time, but the knife is said to have entered the back near the spine, and penetrated to the region of the heart. Internal bleeding is said to present a serious problem in ministering to the injured man.

According to such reports as Sheriff Howell was able to gather, Moretz, Willard Green, Frank and Link Trivett were all entangled more or less in the affair, and that the assault on Moretz came as a result of an old grudge between he and Trivette. Exact details of the affair are unknown, but Willard Greene has been lodged in jail as an accessory before the fact, accused of holding Moretz, and cursing him at the time he was assaulted by Trivett.

Link and Frank Trivett are still at large and the Sheriff's office is following every clue that might lead to an early arrest. Reports Wednesday indicate that Frank is armed with a revolver and a high-powered rifle.

NOTED PEOPLE IN BOONE THURSDAY

Ambassador and Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. Ickes Visit Briefly and Proceed to Blowing Rock for Night. Browning Accompanies Party.

Hon. Josephus Daniels, Ambassador to Mexico, Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Ickes, wife of Secretary of the Interior Harold C. Ickes, and Chief Engineer Browning of the State Highway Department visited briefly in Boone Thursday afternoon, where Mr. and Mrs. Daniels have many personal friends. From Boone they proceeded to Blowing Rock and were entertained for the night as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Boyden. The Daniels family spent many years as summer residents of Blowing Rock making their home at Blowing Rock Hotel, which is owned by Mr. Boyden.

The party of notables chatted briefly with a representative of The Democrat, and Mrs. Ickes, who had not visited this section before, was charmed both by the magnificence of the Southern Appalachians and the hospitality of the people who inhabit them.

From Blowing Rock the party went into the Smoky Mountain Park area and the Cherokee Indian reservation, Mrs. Ickes enjoining at Asheville for Washington Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels returned to Raleigh where they will remain until about the first of the month, proceeding directly to Mexico City.

Threshers Must Keep Record of Small Grain

Miss Helen Underdown, Register of Deeds, has just received a quantity of special blanks, etc., which operators of threshing machines are required to use this year.

Miss Underdown states that an old law has just recently been discovered making it mandatory that the Register of Deeds notify operators and to issue free threshing cards to each. This might of slipped by but for the great need of official county acreage and production facts by the crop control committees.

The purpose is to provide reliable information on acres and production of small grains. It is best for this information to come directly from the growers and threshing records.

The Department of Agriculture has provided handy record books which the operators may obtain from the Register of Deeds. All operators of threshing machines should see the Register of Deeds about this matter at once.

C. C. C. Recruiting Will Begin in July

First enrollments in the Civilian Conservation Corps to supply North Carolina's new quota will be made in Charlotte on July 2nd and continue until July 18, according to word coming from Raleigh Tuesday.

Watauga's allotment will be recruited in Asheville on July 6th, it is learned, and will be composed of eleven applicants.