

BOONE SKETCHES

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Plenty of work . . . perhaps the result of a New Deal . . . plenty of sizzling-hot World Series baseball games to "dope" . . . plenty of so-called politicians airin' their views to the printer-editor-devil force . . . plenty of this-and-that to keep the old Sketch Man disturbed from his usual habits . . . and his pet column presents a lengthy void at press-time. But there are big happenings . . . not doubt about that . . . Dizzy Dean friarstone, hurling air-tight baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals and one-two-threeing 'em in the old seventh game . . . the King of a minor European monarchy going down before a shower of assassin's bullets at a French port . . . strikers burning their priests and potentates in a Spanish rebellion . . . Farmer Bob Dougherty cracking down on a broad-gauge Republican in a fist-fight at Albemarle . . . deaths, births, marriages . . . Baby Lindbergh's kidnap-murderers being brought to justice . . . Al Smith re-pledging his allegiance to the Donkey . . . All of 'em need comment, just cry for it . . . but the press is fairly itchin' to run!

A CURE FOR DEPRESSION

Down at the local theatre Robert Louis Stevenson's glorious story of pirates held and stolen gold . . . Treasure Island . . . is being screened . . . and it's a cure for the depression, sure as you're born! It makes a fellow itchen when "Captain Flint" tells the tavern guests of that time on the Blue Caribbean when "we sh't the smooth white arms of aristocratic Castilian ladies, and used their blue blood to warm our rum . . . and "Long John Silver" with his cutly and parrot, talking sweetly, gently, convincingly into the wide-open ears of "Little Jim Avilins" . . . "Mister Hands" and "Baby Bones" and "Mister Morgan" wading in gore on the decks of the Hispaniola as they battle with "Captain Smollett" and his crew . . . cutlasses, daggers, muskets, cannon belching death and damnation . . . cords of glittering ingots, chests full of priceless diamonds, cart-loads of doubloons and pieces of eight . . . buccaners, treasure caves, sailing ships, the smell of the salty sea . . . adventure of the finest sort . . . an epic of the silver sheet, "Treasure Island" . . . have you seen it?

POLITICAL DIAGNOSIS

Is answer to that question about "How's the political situation?" we borrow a head from the Asheville Times of Tuesday, which very neatly covers the ground: "Democrats Confident, Republicans Determined, Voters Indifferent!"

Library and Hospital To Be Completed Soon

The new library building will be completed and 60,000 volumes moved into it by the Christmas holidays, it was announced this week by Dr. B. B. Dougherty, president of A. S. T. C. This building, which is located behind the Administration building, has been erected at a total cost of \$50,000 and when completed will house one of the finest and most modern libraries in the State. Dr. Dougherty explained. One of the last items in its construction, the letting of a contract for steel stacks to take care of the volumes, has been put through.

The library will be the second new building to be completed on the Appalachian campus within six months. Recently finishing touches were put on the new gymnasium and it now is being used daily in an intensive physical education program. The gym was erected at a cost of \$40,000 and has a seating capacity in the basketball court for 1,500.

Appalachian's third new building, the hospital, also will be completed within the near future. Dr. Dougherty says. Work on it has been abandoned during the past 12 months due to lack of funds, but will be resumed at once, Dr. Dougherty said. When completed the hospital will have cost \$80,000 and will be a modern unit with a 35-bed capacity. It will be used both by Appalachian students and by the general public.

THE WEATHER

Weather report for week ending October 6th, as compiled by the Co-operative Bureau at Appalachian State Teachers College:

Average maximum temperature, 65 degrees.

Average minimum temperature, 47 degrees.

Average temperature, 56 degrees.

Average daily range in temperature, 18 degrees.

Greatest daily range in temperature, 30 degrees; date, 2nd.

Average temperature at 6 p. m. (time of observation), 57 degrees.

Highest temperature reached, 72, date, 2nd.

Lowest temperature reached, 40; date, 3rd.

Total precipitation, in inches, 3.07.

Greatest precipitation in 24 hours, 2.45; date, 6th.

Number of days with 0.01 inch of precipitation, 3.

Number of clear days, 3.

Number of partly cloudy days, 1.

Number of cloudy days, 3.

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HOMEcoming DAY TO BE GALA EVENT AT LOCAL COLLEGE

Over 500 Former Students Will Return to Appalachian Saturday and Enjoy Special Festivities. Important Grid Encounter One of Features. Luncheon and Addresses on the Program.

Saturday has been set aside as Homecoming Day at Appalachian State Teachers College, and more than five hundred graduates of former years are expected to turn their faces toward their Alma Mater and participate in the reunion, which has come to be one of the outstanding events of the college year.

One of the principal features of the Saturday program will be the football game between the Appalachian Mountaineers and the Catamounts from Western Carolina Teachers College. The grid battle, which marks the high spot in football for the present term, will start at 3 p. m. The complete program for the day follows:

Program for the Day

I. 10:00 to 11:30. Convocation. Opening song, audience, invocation, A. J. Green; address, A. J. Green; special music; recognition of alumni; responses from the alumni (George Sudderth presiding); reading of special music; announcements; closing song, "Alma Mater," students.

II. 11:30. Open house for visiting in all departments; 12:00, plate lunch in Central Dining Hall (optional). Proceeds will be used to purchase books for library.

III. Meeting of classes, 1:30; Class '20, John Howell; Class '31, Docia Watson; Class '32, Erie Greer; Class '33, Margaret Givens; Class '34, Kathryn Harwell. Organization meeting, 2:15 o'clock.

IV. 3:00. Athletic events; football, Appalachian vs. Western State Teachers College.

V. 6:00. Homecoming in literary societies.

VI. 8:00. Presentations by Glee Club and Playcrafters.

Cove Creek Community Fair a Successful Event

Despite generally inclement weather the Cove Creek Community Fair is described as an outstanding success. Large crowds attended the event which is sponsored by the Department of Agriculture of Cove Creek High School, and which is directed by Mr. G. G. Farthing, agricultural instructor, and Miss Annie Dougherty, head of the home economics department. The farm exhibits, because of the unusually fine growing season, were said to have been the finest in the history of the fair, and the various entertainment features were thoroughly enjoyed.

The Democrat expects to publish a list of the prize-winners, under the various classifications, next week.

Brookshire on Ticket; Miss Powell Running

Mr. J. C. Brookshire of Boone has been certified as a candidate for Coroner on the Republican ticket, to take the place of Dr. W. O. Bingham, who withdrew following the convention.

Miss Maude Powell of Blowing Rock was recently named by the executive committee as candidate for Register of Deeds and since she is not generally known in the county, it has been suggested that it be explained that she was reared near Blowing Rock on the Yonahlossee Road by an uncle, Mr. Roby Gragg, her parents having died many years ago. She is handicapped by serious physical disabilities but withal is said to be a most capable young lady. She has been employed in the Blowing Rock telephone exchange for some time.

Chairman Jeffress Is Brought to Greensboro

Greensboro, N. C.—Edwin B. Jeffress, State Highway and Public Works chairman, who for nearly six weeks has been a patient at the memorial Hospital, Richmond, Va., will be removed to the Wesley Long Hospital here this (Wednesday) afternoon.

Word from Memorial Hospital was to the effect that Mr. Jeffress was more alert than at any time since he entered the hospital on August 29th. He has been unconscious since being stricken at his home here on August 26, but physicians and others who were with him Tuesday felt confident that he realized what was going on about him.

Dr. C. C. Coleman, surgeon who performed the operation, said Tuesday that careful nursing and the healing processes of nature are what his patient now needs.

The highway chairman is being brought here by ambulance. The trip to Richmond was made by airplane.

St. Louis Cardinals Win World's Series From Detroit



DETROIT, MICH.—The wildest baseball scramble in many, many years came to an end Tuesday afternoon when the St. Louis Cardinals, behind the shut-out pitching of Jerome (Dizzy) Dean, scored a 11-0 victory over Mickey Cochrane's pennant-winning Tigers of the American League. This was the second win out of three tries for the great "Dizzy," his kid brother Paul having accounted for the other two Cardinal victories of the spectacular series. Above are pictured brilliant stars of the baseball epic: (Upper left), Pitcher Paul Dean of the St. Louis Nationals. (Upper right), Mickey Cochrane,

great catcher and fighting leader of the Detroit Tigers, greeting Henry Ford and son, Edsel Ford, at the opening of the series last Wednesday. (Below left), Frankie Frisch, great second-baseman and leader of the Cardinals. (Center), the one and only Jerome "Dizzy" Dean, whose performance in the closing game has made history. (Lower right), the Detroit Tigers' "million-dollar" infield, who were held scoreless by "Diz" in the closing contest . . . left to right, Owen, third base, Rogel, shortstop; Gehring, second-baseman, and Greenberg, clout-

NEW OFFICERS OF WATAUGA POST INSTALLED FRIDAY

J. Wilson Norris New Commander of Local Unit. Department Commander Hubert Olive of Lexington. Officers Addressed. District Commander Aubrey Chisholm Inducts Officers Into Service.

J. Wilson Norris was inducted into office as Commander of Watauga Post, American Legion, at a special meeting held in Legion Hall last Friday evening. Installation was by District Commander Aubrey Chisholm of Greensboro, and others installed were: Roy I. Haynes, vice-commander; Edgar Hardin and Fred Winkler, vice-commanders; C. W. Teal, adjutant; R. G. Greer, finance and membership officer; Lionel Ward, service officer; Spencer Miller, guardianship officer; John Cook, sergeant-at-arms; W. C. Greene, chaplain and employment officer; Leonard Wilson, historian; N. G. Cook, athletic officer; R. L. Gentry, child welfare officer; Charles L. Younce, Americanism officer; R. E. Kelley, graves registration officer; Walter Cook, chairman of Sons of Legion.

After an inspiring address by Department Commander-elect Hubert E. Olive of Lexington and short talks by Post Commander Moore and Commander W. R. Bushanan of Elk Park, Commander A. W. Phillips of Spruce Pine, Adjutant Paul S. Jones of Newland and Commander Boaze of Lexington, more than one hundred present enjoyed a picnic lunch served by the members of the Auxiliary.

REVIVAL TO BEGIN ON THIRD SUNDAY AT BLOWING ROCK

A revival meeting will begin the third Sunday night in October in the Blowing Rock Baptist Church and the pastor, Rev. W. R. Davis, will do the preaching. Services each day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend all of these services.

Blowing Rock Girl, 14, Hitch Hikes To Hollywood For Movie Try; Actors Kind

Hollywood, Calif. Mary Johnson, 14, did not get into the movies after hitch-hiking across the continent but she found Filmland's hospitality good enough for food, a coat, four dresses besides shoes and stockings.

Her father, a carpenter, was out of a job and her mother is dead, so with \$1.50 between them she and her brother, David, 12, started from Blowing Rock, N. C. early in September to find their aunt, May Johnson, who lives on the "edge of San Francisco."

David was left behind in El Paso when they tried to hop a freight train, and only Mary succeeded. She left the train at Brawley and hitch-

ELECTRIC RATES ARE SLASHED BY POWER COMPANY

The New River Light and Power Company today makes announcement of drastic cuts in rates on electrical energy furnished the people of this community. The new schedules, which are placed in effect as of November 1st, and which have been approved by the North Carolina Public Utilities Commission, provide for an average cut of 25 per cent under the rates hitherto in force.

The new rates provide for a minimum light charge of \$1.00 for 10 kilowatt hours, as against a \$1.25 minimum formerly. The schedule ranges from 10c to 6c per hour, according to the quantity used. Refrigeration is cut from 12 1/2c to 10c on the minimum unit, and other rates accordingly. Complete schedules are published in The Democrat today.

Republican Township Candidates Certified

The following have been certified by Chairman Russell D. Hodges as candidates for township officers on the Republican ticket. The first named in each instance is the candidate for constable, the others justices of the peace:

Stony Fork: W. M. Day, Jason Moritz, Eugene Russell, Elbert Norris.

Blowing Rock: Will Castle, W. L. Robbins.

Watauga: Clay Clark, Earl Coffey, W. P. Coffey and C. H. Garland. Blue Ridge: G. H. Hayes, S. C. Ford, James Ashley, J. G. Storie. Shawneehaw: Don Oliver, A. C. Miller, Otto Townsend, Cicero Townsend. Elk: Austin Triplett, N. G. Wheeler, Will Carroll, Olin Miller.

Laurel Creek: Ernest Glenn, L. E. Tester, Oscar Harman, Lloyd Presnell.

ASA WILSON, ONCE COUNTY SHERIFF, DEAD AT AGE OF 72

Well-Known Political Leader and Livestock Dealer Succumbs to Prolonged Illness at Home in Silverstone Section. Services Wednesday at Pleasant Grove Church. Widow and Five Children Survive.

Asa L. Wilson, 72 years old, prominent citizen of the Silverstone community and formerly sheriff of Watauga County, died at his home Monday afternoon, following a long period of declining health. His condition had been regarded as serious for the past four or five months. A compilation of ailments contributed to his demise.

Funeral services were conducted from the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Wednesday morning by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Sebastian, who was assisted in the rites by the Rev. L. A. Wilson. Interment was in the nearby cemetery.

Fullbearers were: Ivy Wilson, Owen Little, Emory Mitchell, Stanley Cook, Clyde Wilson and Charlie Mitchell. A large floral offering was brought to the bier, and a large concourse of friends gathered for the rites.

Surviving are the widow and five children: William D. of Cleveland, Ohio; Thomas, Albert, Mrs. Earl Perry and Miss Ethel Wilson, all of Watauga County.

Mr. Wilson, who was a native citizen of Watauga County, was for the greater part of his life a farmer and cattle dealer, was prominent in this county through the active years of his life. He was a leader in the councils of the Republican party and was elected sheriff in 1912, resigning from this position 60 days after he took the oath of office, to continue with his agricultural pursuits. He was one of this section's most substantial men, honorable and just and a champion of the best interests of his community and county.

Teachers Meeting Is Postponed to 20th

The county teachers meeting which was called for Saturday, October 13, is postponed to 3 o'clock Saturday, October 20, due to the large number of teachers who desire to attend the Homecoming Day exercises at Appalachian State College on the day previously set for the meeting.

In making this announcement Superintendent W. H. Walker also states that salaries for teachers are expected to be ready for distribution by the 13th.

FARMERS TO MEET

A meeting of the Agricultural Board of Watauga is called to meet at the courthouse in Boone on Saturday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

LLOYD CAMPBELL HELD FOR DEATH OF BLANKENSHIP

Former Resident of Mabel Under \$5,000 Bond Charged with Slaying of Cicero Blankenship, Former Watauga County Jailor. Family Quarrel Is Said to Have Precipitated Fatal Shooting. Hearing Today.

Cicero Blankenship, 53 years old, a resident of Johnson City, but former deputy sheriff and jailor in Watauga County, was shot to death late last Sunday, and Lloyd E. Campbell, native of Mabel, and a son-in-law of Blankenship, is held under \$5,000 bond charged with murder in connection with the slaying.

The tragedy, which occurred at a Johnson City grocery store, operated by Blankenship, is said to have been the result of a family quarrel, but other details leading up to the shooting are not known here. Blankenship was shot through the abdomen with a .32-calibre bullet, and died two hours later at the Appalachian hospital where he was taken by Campbell. The pistol allegedly used in the affray was found under a bag of flour in the store, where a witness is said to have placed it.

Preliminary for Campbell was scheduled for Wednesday afternoon.

Both Well Known Here

Both Campbell and Blankenship are well known in Watauga County, where the former was reared. He is a son of Mr. Roe Campbell of Mabel and has resided in Johnson City for several years where he married Mr. Blankenship's daughter, and where they worked together in the mercantile business. He is 32 years old.

Mr. Blankenship was keeper of the county jail in Watauga during the administration of John W. Hodges as Sheriff, having served in this capacity from 1904 to 1908.

Blankenship had been in business in Johnson City for several years, and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Campbell. Mrs. Blankenship died several years ago.

Funeral services were held at four o'clock Monday and burial was in the Monte Vista Burial Park at Johnson City.

It was stated in Johnson City Wednesday that a brilliant array of defense attorneys had been retained by Campbell, including Thad Cox, D. A. Vines, Sam W. Price and J. R. Gardner.

McMahon Resigns as Disbursing Officer

R. C. McMahon, Federal auditor and disbursing officer for Watauga County Emergency Relief Administration, has just been appointed assistant to Colonel E. R. Reybold, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, in charge of the \$35,000,000 Government project at Wilmington, N. C., to develop the Cape Fear River for large vessels at that point.

Mr. McMahon is well known in Watauga, having lived in Blowing Rock for the past seven years. He has been auditor for D. J. Boyden at the Mayview Manor and Blowing Rock hotels there, and also auditor for the Selwyn and Mayfair hotels in Charlotte, N. C.

While Mr. McMahon is reluctant to leave Watauga County at this time, he has to obey orders and accept the appointment, which is a very responsible position. He secured the appointment through a Civil Service examination, having received a rating of 95.6 on his papers.

Mr. McMahon is succeeded by Mr. Frank Moore of Newland who is well known in Watauga County. He has been working in Avery County, and was disbursing officer there under the Civil Works Administration.

Faculty Additions at State Teachers College

Three new members have been added to the college faculty this year.

Miss Carrie Hall, in the English department; Miss Lena Liles, in the Department of Education; and Professor Grubbs, in the History department, are the latest additions.

Miss Hall had her undergraduate work at the University of South Carolina; she has done some graduate work at Duke University and Columbia University. Miss Hall plans to take her Ph. D. degree from the University of South Carolina next summer.

Miss Liles holds a Master's degree in education from the Women's College of the University of North Carolina.

Professor Grubbs was graduated from Wake Forest College, took his Master's degree from the University of North Carolina, and intends to complete his work for a Ph. D. degree at that institution.

ALLEN IN HOSPITAL

Dr. A. T. Allen, State superintendent of schools, suffered a relapse recently, and returned to a local hospital. He is expected to be out again in a few days.