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GLEANINGS

Hot days, cool night, soft breezes, white moon, twinkling stars... funny little things, interesting little episodes being staged on every hand...

and we gave him one of our very best promises... Grandson of a prominent dry advocate rides up town on brewery truck, looking kinda out of place...

And sometimes we think... not seriously, of course... just figure out a few little things for the fun of it... for instance... that Ruby Trivette, good-looking without argument, kinda reminds one of dear old Hepburn...

OUT OF THE WAY, ROMEO! Is romance dead?... what a silly question, Gertrude... what a silly question!... Just the other night we ran smack dab into a little convincing evidence that right here in Boone dwell Romances of the red-hot variety...

"My Own Little Sweetheart: "To tell you that I love you is just repeating the words that have been whispered to you so many times. But, somehow, that's all I can think of, all that I ever want to think of; yes, I love you better than anyone in the whole world..."

Yes, there are Romances in Boone—hot ones! If any reader desires, he may properly identify his or her mail, take it home, sit down on the porch and drink in its contents... and

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PRINCIPALS IN MUTILATION MURDER

Mandeville W. Zenge, Cantor, Mo., Carpenter. Held for Fiendish Slaying of Dr. Walter J. Bauer.



CHICAGO, ILL.—Left above is a close-up of Mandeville W. Zenge, a young carpenter of Cantor, Mo., who is charged with the mutilation murder of Dr. Walter J. Bauer (right, below) newly-wed husband of Louise Schaffner Bauer (right, above), a young woman with whom Zenge 'had been keeping company' for seven years. Bauer was kidnaped from Ann Arbor, Mich., and forced to drive here where the 'operation' with a pen knife took place and from which he died.

Says Prospects Are Bright for Approval Of Rural Industrial Colony in Watauga

Mr. Lyles Harris returned from Greensboro and Raleigh Wednesday of last week where he met with State and Federal land settlement officials relative to the establishment of a large rural industrial colony in Watauga County.

Federal bureau for some time, but definite action has been delayed owing to the slow perfection of the President's land use plans and organization. All county and city organizations, officials and leading citizens have endorsed the project.

Prospects for the establishment of this colony in Watauga are most gratifying, says Mr. Harris. It is the belief of those actively engaged in the project that very shortly there will come a definite action from the Washington officials concerned.

FIDDLERS MEET THIS WEEK END

Friday and Saturday Mark Legion's Annual Event. Many Good Bands Coming.

The annual Fiddlers Convention, given yearly under the auspices of Watauga Post American Legion, and which is to be held at the courthouse here Friday and Saturday evenings, is expected to draw an even larger attendance this year than previously, according to its sponsors.

As is usual, big cash prizes are being offered for string bands, fiddlers, guitar players and banjo pickers, while those who can handle the light fantastic a la Charleston will have a look-in on the money. Buck-and-wing dancers will also be privileged to enter the competition.

A number of good bands and a lot of stringed musicians have indicated their intention of entering the competition. An admission charge of 25 cents will be in force and the entire proceeds will be applied to the completion of the Legion Hut.

As a special inducement children, accompanied by their parents, will be admitted free Friday night.

Fish Fry to Be Held Thursday, August 22

Mr. R. A. Olsen, president of the Watauga River Fishing Club, announces a fish fry and gala entertainment at the Rutherford Fish Hatchery on the evening of August 22nd, the proceeds to be used for the Club's fish propagation program in the Watauga River.

Hard Thomas and his renowned Aristocrats of Ragtime will furnish entertainment during the outdoor festivities, and plenty of fish, fried to the proper degree of crispness, and with all the fixings on the side, will adorn the outdoor tables. A charge of 50 cents will be made.

CHECKS SCHOOL BUS ROUTES

Prof. S. F. Horton of Sugar Grove is spending a week in Caldwell County, checking over bus routes, schedules, etc., of the school bus operations, preparatory to the opening of the new school term. He is employed for this work in several counties by the State School Commission.

We sincerely hope that he or she enjoys it fully as well as we did, down 'neath the street light.

PREFERS ROAD TERM TO FINE

Defendant in Recorders Court Makes Decision. Several Cases Are Heard.

Tried in Recorders Court Tuesday on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon, Mark Wheeler chose what he elected to be the lesser of two evils, when he decided against payment of a \$50 fine in favor of a 30-day road sentence. When Judge Bingham passed sentence, the order provided its suspension on payment of \$50 and half the cost. The defendant, doubtless making a quick mental calculation, decided that \$1.66 saved each day was worth looking after, and took his medicine straight.

Dan Stubbs Jr., tried for simple assault, was fined \$50 and the cost. Clyde Roberts, bigamy, noi pros with leave.

William Chew, driving while drunk, fined \$50 and one-half the cost. Lee Moody and Jennie Moody, trespass, noi guilty.

Claude Teague, assault, assessed with one-half the cost and turned over to the American Legion for hospitalization.

Harsford Lunsford, abandonment, noi guilty. Fred Barnes, abandonment. Prayer for judgment continued on payment of \$7.50 per month to family.

One civil action was tried, that of the Mortgage Service Company vs. C. L. Rhyne and Mrs. C. L. Rhyne, and judgment was returned in favor of the defendant.

SERGEANT JONES EXPERT RIFLEMAN

Brother of the Late Dr. J. W. Jones Makes Excellent Record on Range at Wakefield.

WAKEFIELD, MASS.—Back at the site of his past shooting performances, Guncry Sergeant Thomas J. Jones, of Scottville, N. C., returned to his old tricks of winning rifle matches when he topped 60 entries in the 26th Division Match with a score of 98 out of a possible 100. His score included 6 consecutive V's at 600 yards.

His winning of the Divisional match virtually assures Sergeant Jones a place on the Marine Corps rifle and pistol team which entrains for Camp Perry, Ohio, where they will compete in the National Matches next month. Thus far the leathernecks have won every important match open to them in the New England Matches, which are held here annually.

Sergeant Jones won his first important match here 14 years ago when he won the Campbell's Match in 1921. That same year he won many high places at this range and then went on to Camp Perry where he gave an excellent account of his prowess with the service rifle.

Sergeant Jones was born at Scottville, Allegheny County, and resided there with his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Jones, at the time he enlisted in the Marine Corps. A brother, the late Dr. J. W. Jones, was a resident of Boone.

Large Numbers Attend Advent Camp Meeting

The Sunday meeting of the Advent Christian Assembly being held on the Yonahlossee Road near Grandfather Mountain, was well attended, it having been estimated that near one thousand people from several different states were present.

The meeting opened last week and is expected to close Sunday. The biggest meeting has drawn many eminent speakers, and during the day many recreational features have been provided for the delegates and visitors. It is the first meeting held at the assembly's new camp ground at the foot of Grandfather.

Representatives are attending the meeting from West Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. Rev. Wilkins of Jacksonville, Fla., having delivered the sermon Sunday, at which time many Watauga people were in attendance.

Dr. Vance to Preach On the Bald Mountain

Rev. Dr. James I. Vance will preach out of doors on the Bald Mountain near the head of Meat Camp, on Sunday morning, September 1st. Preaching will begin at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Vance is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tenn., and has been for many years a Blowing Rock summer resident. He is considered one of the outstanding ministers of the country. Every year, when his health permits, the veteran minister rides horseback from his summer home at Blowing Rock to preach out of doors on the Bald Mountain to a congregation of folks from the surrounding country, all of whom are cordially invited to come.

Solon Visits Here



SENATOR W. P. HORTON

SENATOR HORTON A VISITOR HERE

Candidate for Lieutenant Governor Hopeful of Success of Candidacy.

Hon. W. P. Horton, of Pittsboro, member of the last State Senate and a prominent figure in the political life of Eastern Carolina, was a weekend visitor in Boone, and expressed himself as being highly optimistic over his chances of being nominated as Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor in the primary of 1936. The Senator believes he is going to succeed Sandy Graham, and handle the gavel when the next Senate convenes, and was here for a brief rest, at the same time keeping a weather eye on the political horizon.

Senator Horton first went to the Legislature in 1918 and has since served three terms in the Senate, has served as State Democratic secretary, county attorney, and has established an enviable record for efficiency and ability in his public relations. Many political prognosticators share in the belief that he has the odds on his side in the primary race.

MRS. A. M. CRITCHER PASSES ON FRIDAY

Blowing Rock Woman Victim of Long Illness. Funeral Held Sunday Afternoon.

Mrs. Laura E. Critcher, wife of A. M. Critcher and a well known citizen of Blowing Rock for many years, died at her home there Friday after a long illness, which had been seen as critical for the past several weeks. She was 65 years old.

Funeral services were conducted at the Reformed Church Sunday afternoon, Reverends Buchanan and Widenhouse being in charge. A large concourse of friends gathered for the rites and the floral offerings were profuse. Interment was in the Church cemetery.

Deceased was born in Ashe County in the year 1870, but lived in Watauga County for forty years. She was married in 1893 to Anson M. Critcher, who with three children survives: Mrs. Beulah E. Hewlett, of Wilmington, N. C.; Cecil A. Critcher, and Mrs. Helen Cooper of Blowing Rock.

Five grandchildren survive as do one sister, Mrs. Sallie Graham of Todd, and four brothers, Joe, John, Robert and Charles Howell, all of Ashe County.

During the two score years which Mrs. Critcher had spent in Blowing Rock, she had endeared herself to the people of this section and was surrounded with a wide circle of friends, with whom she was extremely popular. She was highly esteemed for her many fine Christian traits of character and her passing has occasioned great sorrow.

Sunday School Class to Render Old-Time Music

The Berean Class of the Baptist Sunday School, through its teacher, Prof. E. E. Garbee, has announced that beginning next Sunday, only the hymns found in the Old Christian Harmony, Southern Harmony and other old shaped note books will be used. For an indefinite period, it is said, the men's class will spend at least thirty minutes of their opening exercises in singing from the old books, the vocalists to be led by Messrs. Roy Hagaman, George Wilson and Merritt Coffey.

The singing will start at 9:45 every Sunday morning, and the class meets in the old Baptist Church building. All singers of the old hymns are asked to bring their books with them.

VIRGINIA PART OF PARKWAY NOT TO START UNTIL 1936

Old Dominion Officials Expect to Have Lots-of-way Prepared by Next Spring.

WORK ON NORTH CAROLINA SEGMENT WILL BEGIN SOON

Three Location Crews Now Working. Crew Stationed at Boone. Last Step Before Construction Now Being Taken.

The National Park Service has little hope of starting construction on the Scenic Parkway, as applies to the State of Virginia, before the spring of 1936, it was indicated in dispatches coming from Washington Tuesday.

Assistant Director Towison said at that time, however, that construction on the first North Carolina segment of the Parkway was expected to start soon. He said Virginia State Highway Commissioner Henry Shirley was working on the necessary rights-of-way in Virginia, but at the present indications are that clear title to sufficient land for the drive in Virginia would not be available for construction until next spring.

On the other hand, Tolson said, "the Park Service and the Bureau of Public Roads is ready to have construction started on the first section in North Carolina—a twelve and a half mile stretch south from the Virginia line to Roaring Gap, N. C."

Three Crews Working Three location crews of the Bureau of Public Roads are working in the State, centered at Sparta, Newland and Boone. The location work has (Continued on Page 8)

VITAL STATISTICS FIGURES ISSUED

440 Children Born in Watauga During Past Year; Deaths Number 99. Infant Mortality Low.

RALEIGH, N. C.—Vital statistics for Watauga County for the year 1933 are shown in the annual report of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, the State Board of Health, just issued as follows:

Births: Born in county 440, rate 28.4; county usual place of residence of parents, 441, rate 28.4; whites born in county 430, rate 28.2; usual residence of parents, 431, rate 28.3; colored, born in county, 10, rate 33.3; county usual residence of parents, 10, rate 33.3; percentage attended by physicians, white 71, colored 50; illegitimate born in county 8, white 7, colored 1; county usual place of residence of mother, born 8; white 7; colored 1.

Deaths: Number died in county 99, rate 6.3; white 91, rate 6.0; colored 8, rate 26.6; usual residence in county, number 108, rate 7.0; white 100, rate 6.5; colored 8, rate 26.6.

Infant mortality, deaths under one year of age, exclusive of stillbirths, and maternal deaths with rates per 1,000 live births: infant deaths in county 30, rate 68.2; infant deaths of usual residents of county 30, rate 68. No report has been made of maternal deaths in the county.

Births in the State of North Carolina were 2,568 fewer than for 1932, and a decrease of one per cent in rate from the preceding year.

30 Enrolled at High School Summer Term

Thirty students were enrolled during the summer term of the Boone High School, closing last Saturday, and six of these finished the requirements for graduation. These were Martha Winkler, Virginia Cook, Austin Moody, Bruce Farthing, Estella Greene, Mary Bingham.

Twenty-two of the summer students came from the Boone section, while others were enrolled from Cove Creek, Booneville, Rutherfordton, Wingate and Marion, and there were three from the State of Florida. The school, which was established primarily for the purpose of allowing students to make up work and graduate or continue with their regular classes, has met with considerable local favor.

Hay Weather Greeted Watauga Farmers

After a long showery period during which time meadows reached a high state of perfection, farmers of the county have been treated to a good many days of fine, sunny weather, during which hay-making has been the routine in all sections of the county. The crop is described as being the best in many years, and is expected to provide a big surplus over the amount needed for feeder stock this winter.