

## "Shadows Slant North"

Some of the most important action in the new novel, "Shadows Slant North," a story of the Carolina mountains by Mary Bledsoe, takes place in Boone. Although Boone is not mentioned by name in the book, a discerning reader will recognize Rockbridge College in the book as Appalachian State College at Boone.

It is in one of the dormitory rooms of the college that the heroine receives news that changes the course of her whole life, and, without the action that takes place here, there would be no story. Some of the later actions, on which a large part of the story hinges, also takes place at the college here, and the scene of an early chapter of importance is Blowing Rock.

The story deals with a girl in the mythical county of Sevier, who belongs to a large family that has few opportunities, but she manages to get an education at Rockbridge (Appalachian), and has dreams for great development of her native county. But her father and mother die in the flu epidemic of 1918, and this leaves her with the responsibility of taking care of a large family of children, and for this reason she has to sacrifice the one great love of her life. She manages to build a better life for her brothers and sisters, but in so doing she gives up her own chances and is left alone after all the others are well established in life.

Most of the reviewers who have discussed the book agree that one of its finest points is its characterization of the mountain people as real people, and not as the hilly billy type too often found in mountain fiction. The author, a native of Ashe county, pictures the people as she has actually known them since childhood.

In bringing out her story, she utilizes an exhaustive knowledge of mountain vegetation and background, so that the trees, shrubs, flowers, peaks, and streams, the mountain weather and scenic beauties are woven with the action into a single pattern. This skill in making the setting a living part of the story so impressed the reviewer in the Charlotte Observer that he declared the author's mastery of detail gave her a place as a distinctively new type of writer about the Carolina mountains. Cameron Shipp, himself a native of the mountains, in reviewing the book in the Charlotte News, said it was the best mountain story he ever read.

The people of Boone will remember the author as Mrs. Rupert Gillett, formerly of Blowing Rock, and in 1928 a member of the summer school faculty of Appalachian State College. She is now a resident of Charlotte.

Her book, published by Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Company, is now on sale in leading book stores. It met with such prompt response that it went through three printings before publication.

## RED CROSS DRIVE TO BEGIN TODAY

Mrs. Councill Plans to Exceed Quota of 300 Members; Candidates Named

Mrs. James H. Councill, chairman of the Watauga chapter, Red Cross, believes that her organization will be able to reach the quota of 300 memberships in the organization or perhaps exceed same, when the results of the annual roll call campaign, which starts today, are tabulated. Mrs. Councill will act as roll call chairman, Bernard Dougherty, who had previously been appointed, finding it impossible to serve. However, Mr. Dougherty is serving as chairman for the town of Boone.

Mrs. Clara Simpson has been named chairman of the campaign in Cove Creek; Mrs. W. H. Wagner in the Valle Crucis section; Mrs. Clyde Perry, Beaver Dam; Mrs. H. C. Hayes in Blowing Rock, and the principals of the various schools of the other communities in the county are being asked to serve as chairmen in the work of selling the dollar Red Cross memberships.

The campaign begins today and will continue until Thanksgiving, and Mrs. Councill earnestly asks the aid of all the citizens in making the campaign a successful one.

### REBECCA ICENHOUR

Rebecca Icenhour, aged 78 years, a resident of Zionville, died October 29, and funeral services were conducted at the Smith cemetery October 31, Rev. Mr. Parker being in charge.

### JAMES SMITH

James Smith, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Boone, died at the residence last Friday from a sudden illness. Burial was in the city cemetery Saturday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Ashley being in charge of the rites.

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### Aids In Meeting



Rev. C. E. Rozelle, of Gastonia, who will preach at the Boone Methodist church during a series of revival services which will begin next Sunday.

### REVIVAL MEETING M. E. CHURCH

Rev. Mr. Rozelle to Preach; Recognized as One of the Leaders in Methodism

Rev. C. E. Rozelle will come to Boone Sunday, November 14, to preach at the Methodist church in a series of revival services beginning Sunday night at 7:30 and continuing each night during the week.

Rev. Mr. Rozelle is a graduate of Emory and Vanderbilt Universities. He is at present pastor of Main Street Methodist church in Gastonia. He is widely known as a preacher of great power. He has served as pastor of Myers Park church in Charlotte. First Methodist church of Lenoir, and was for four years pastor of the Methodist church at Chapel Hill, the home of the University of North Carolina. One of the leading ministers of the Western North Carolina Conference, he is in great demand for public addresses and for service in revival meetings.

Every member of the Methodist church is urged to attend the services and all other denominations are given a cordial invitation to join in this meeting.

### PORK CUTTING AND CURING DEMONSTRATION

R. E. Nance, assistant professor of animal husbandry, State College, Raleigh, will be in Watauga county on Friday, November 12, to give demonstrations on cutting and curing pork. W. B. Collins, county agent, announced yesterday.

One demonstration will be held at the farm of Mr. Wade Clawson, one-half mile below Green Valley school on the Todd road, at 9 a. m., Friday, November 12.

One demonstration will be held at the farm of Mr. Lonnie Henson at Vilas, at 2 p. m., on the 12th.

Mr. Nance gives a good demonstration on the better methods of cutting hogs, Mr. Collins said, and his instruction in curing meat, if carried out, will give most farmers better meat.

It is hoped that a large number of farmers and their wives will attend one of these meetings and will take advantage of this opportunity of finding out some better methods of cutting and curing pork.

### ESCAPES FROM PRISON

Sheriff Edmisten received telegraphic information Tuesday telling of the escape of Rufe Lewis, who is serving a penitentiary sentence in connection with the shooting of Hill Hagaman, local police officer, some four years ago. The message gave no details, but it is understood young Lewis was in Halifax county.

### MANY INTOXICATED

Chief of Police S. D. Ollis states that eleven persons were lodged in jail by him over the week-end and charged with public inebriety. Although this number is in excess of the average, Mr. Ollis states that there was little disorder.

### TEACHERS TO MEET IN BOONE SATURDAY

A county-wide meeting of the school teachers of Watauga county will be held in Boone Saturday afternoon, November 13, at 2:30 o'clock. The gathering is to be in the elementary school auditorium and while County Superintendent W. H. Walker has not issued a program, he earnestly requests all teachers to be present.

### WELFARE MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY

Program is Released for Conference Embracing Fourteen Counties

The Northwestern District Welfare conference, which will be attended by welfare workers from 14 counties, will be held at the Boone Baptist church Wednesday, November 17, and Miss Marguerite Miller, Watauga welfare officer, has released the following program of the day's activities:

Morning Session  
9:30—Registration.  
10:00—Invocation, Rev. Paul Townsend.

Greetings, Mr. Wade E. Brown, president Boone Lions Club.

Greetings from State Board, Mr. N. E. Pepper, member State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, Danbury.

Annual message, Miss Mary O. Linton, president Association of County Superintendents of Public Welfare.

10:30—The County Welfare Superintendent at Work, presented by the Guilford County Welfare department.

Open forum, Mr. George L. Stanbury, chairman Guilford County Commissioners, presiding.

11:40—The Development of an Adequate Program of Public Welfare, Mrs. W. T. Bost, Commissioner of Public Welfare.

12:10—Public Assistance, Mr. H. Yelton, director Division of Public Assistance.

12:50—Announcements.  
Luncheon  
1:00—Luncheon, Dr. B. B. Dougherty presiding.

Address, "A Forward Look in Public Welfare in North Carolina," Miss Lavinia Keys, regional representative Social Security Board, Washington, D. C.

Business.  
Adjournment.

### SEEK TO LOCATE FEDERAL BUILDING

Site Agent Gets Reaction of People Toward Location of Postoffice

Mr. T. L. Starr, site agent for the procurement division of the treasury department, arrived in town Monday and spent the first days of the week looking over the properties offered for the proposed new federal building, and talking with the citizenry of the town, and getting their reaction to the location.

A number of locations have been offered for the postoffice, but Mr. Starr has, of course, not stated what his recommendations will be. However, it is understood that his endorsement of the site is usually followed, and within a short time disposition of the matter should be made.

### Plan To Move Print Shop End of Week

Present plans call for the moving of the machinery used in the publication of The Democrat into the new building the latter part of this week. If weather conditions permit, the big job of transferring the heavy equipment to the new structure, will get under way Friday, and it is hoped that by Monday the plant will again be in operation.

The new building is not entirely furnished as yet, but the management must get the plant established there before winter weather sets in for good. Service in the commercial printing department will be necessarily disrupted the last of this week, and patrons having emergency jobs should let their wishes be known Thursday.

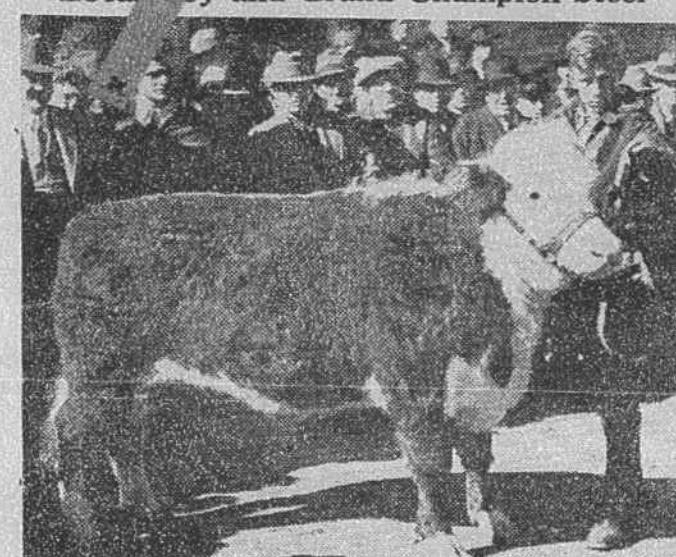
### TO ADDRESS VETERANS

State Commander of the Spanish War Veterans Mayberry of Charlotte, will be at Wilkesboro Camp No. 13, November 13, and will speak to the veterans of the war of the nineties at 1:30 o'clock. Albert Watson of Boone, camp commander, asks all veterans to be present. A new slate of officers will be elected at this time.

### JOHNNY ELWOOD HODGES

Johnny Elwood Hodges, aged seven years, died at the home of the parents at Zionville Wednesday of last week. Funeral services and burial were at the Zionville Baptist church by Rev. J. W. Parker. Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hodges; two brothers, Billie and Bobby, and one sister, Gay Hodges.

### Local Boy and Grand Champion Steer



Joe Brown of Deep Gap, and the Hereford steer, which he exhibited in the fat cattle show at Asheville last week, and which won the grand championship. The steer weighed 1,000 pounds at fourteen months old. Young Brown was considered the best feeder in the state.

### HOLTON SPEAKS TO DUKE ALUMNI WILL BEGIN SOON

Dean of Duke School of Education Addresses Alumni Gathering Here

United States Postal Service to Deliver Cards to Homes November 16

During this month the federal government is undertaking a census of all unemployed people in the nation.

The count of the unemployed is to be by voluntary registration, it being anticipated that those who are really out of work and want to work will go to the trouble of filling out a card.

The project was authorized by the last session of congress and President Roosevelt issued the following statement addressed to every worker in the nation:

"If you are unemployed or partly unemployed and are able to work and are seeking work, please fill out this report card right away and mail it before midnight, Saturday, November 20, 1937. No postage is needed."

"The congress directed me to take this census. It is important to the unemployed and to everyone in this land that the census be complete, honest, and accurate. If you give me the facts, I shall try to use them for the benefit of all who need and want work and do not now have it."

The government desires the registration of persons wholly unemployed and who want work, those who formerly had owned business but who are now looking for jobs, those who are looking for their first job persons partially employed but who are now full time work, persons who are now working on WPA, NYA or CCC.

Another phase of Dr. Holton's address was the disclosing of some interesting facts about Duke University. Next year is the centennial celebration of the university. This celebration will begin on October 28, 1938, and continue through April 1939. Numerous books have been published by authorities on Duke and are placed on sale. These illustrate the progress of the university and the proposed future progress. Official announcement of the forthcoming centennial celebration will be formally made on December 11, at which time representatives from all alumni associations in the state will gather at Duke University to make public revelation of the plans.

Among the unofficial plans of the centennial brought out by Dr. Holton, he emphasized the renewal of the building program both in an academic and material way. He stressed the need for an endowment for scholarships to care for those students in North Carolina which will permit the tuition rate to remain stable for those outside the state so that local people will not be crowded out by bargain hunters. Duke ranks among the best colleges in the nation, yet demands a minimum entrance fee less than those universities of its level. Erection of new dormitories is needed to care for the number of applications. Of the 2,000 freshman applications only 777 could be accommodated in the present buildings this year. A plan has been set forth to double the library which has now some 488,000 volumes with a rating of the largest in the south. The University of North Carolina runs second with approximately 436,000 volumes. Dr. Holton explained how the two universities co-operated in the library school, stating that each had catalogues of the books in both libraries and that students would use both libraries with liberty. A book can be called for in the morning before 11

Love finds a way, and iron bars proved no hindrance to the wedded pair of Miss Hazel Phillips and Herbert Stevens of Todd.

Chief Ollis states that Stevens was arrested by him Saturday in a more or less intoxicated condition and placed in the county jail. His bride-to-be hustled up a minister, went to the bastle and the vows were spoken through the bars of iron. Mrs. Stevens, it is related, then secured lodgings in the jail building and the honeymoon was delayed until officers adjudged the husband recovered.

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### WATAUGA CALVES PRIZE WINNERS AT ASHEVILLE SHOW

Joe Brown of Deep Gap Exhibits Grand Champion Hereford Steer; Joe is Declared State's Best Feeder; Gene Reese Has Blue Ribbon Steer

Watauga county's 4-H Club boys and others took away the grand championship at the Asheville fat cattle show in Asheville last Wednesday, and laid claim to various other prizes, including the blue ribbon steer in the light weight division, thus giving Watauga county a new place in the sun as the home of the highest type beef cattle.

Mr. Harry Hamilton, assistant county agent, who is to be congratulated upon his success in bringing about improvement in the local herds and in concerning the youth of the county in livestock breeding, has kindly furnished The Democrat with the following, which gives the complete list of winners in the Asheville show, together with other information of timely interest:

The seven baby calves from Watauga county made a fine record at the third annual fat stock show at Asheville on Wednesday, November 3rd.

Joe Brown of Deep Gap, won first place in the heavyweight class with his fine 1,000-pound Hereford steer. Joe's calf was then declared grand champion calf of the show. His calf sold for \$20.50 per hundred. This fine Hereford was bred on the farm of Mr. Tom Baird of Valle Crucis.

Joe was declared the best feeder in North Carolina, by men of high authority. He also won third place in the showmanship class. His grand champion calf was really fat and anyone who is a judge of good stock could not pass up this calf without admiring him. This Hereford gained 3.81 pounds per day for the first 93 days on feed. Such a gain as this is probably a record in the feeding game.

Gene Reese of Vilas, made a fine record on his 625-pound Hereford calf by winning first place in the lightweight class in competition with 17 other calves. Gene's calf was sold at auction for \$13.50 per hundred.

Mr. Tom Lawrence, a farmer of Vilas, captured second place in the lightweight class with his seven-months old calf that topped the scales at 615 pounds. His calf sold for \$11.00 per hundred.

John Edmisten of Sugar Grove, took third place in the medium weight class with his 820-pound Hereford steer. Earl's calf sold for \$12.00 per hundred.

Council Henson won seventh place in the medium class with his 765-pound Hereford steer. His calf sold for \$11.00 per hundredweight.

James Greer's calf failed to get in on the prize money, however, he sold for \$11.50 per hundred and weighed 910.

The county group of five steers won first place in competition with eight other groups. The best of sire groups composed of calves owned by Vilas, Earl Edmisten and Mr. Tom Lawrence placed second in competition with three other groups.

The calves won a total of \$130.00 in prize money at Asheville and sold for \$735.41.

The following counties competed in the fat stock show: Buncombe, Henderson, Haywood, Graham, Madison, Cherokee, Macon, Transylvania and Watauga.

Three of the Watauga county calves were shown at the North Carolina State fair and won \$104 in prizes. All of the calves were exhibited at the Watauga Agricultural fair and the prize money won there was \$36.00, thus the total prize money won was \$270.00, which makes \$1,005.41 that was realized from the seven baby calves.

Four of the calves were sired by Mr. John Dugger's bull of Vilas. The owners of these calves were: Gene Reese, Earl Henson, Council Henson and Mr. Tom Lawrence.

The 4-H Club baby beef boys owe a great deal of credit to Mr. Dugger because he has helped in every way possible to make the baby beef project a success.

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