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WATAUGA YOUTH IS FATALLY HURT IN CAPITAL CITY

Gordon Spainhour of Amantha, Dies From Injuries Received When Bicycle and Truck Collide in Raleigh; Was State College Student; Rites Are Held Tuesday

Gordon Spainhour, 17 years old, student at N. C. State College, and son of Mrs. P. G. Spainhour of the Cove Creek section, died at Rex Hospital, Raleigh Saturday night, a few hours after the bicycle which he was riding collided with a light truck on one of the principal streets of the capital city. Another State College student, W. A. Cooper, 17, of Williamston, who was riding on the bicycle with Spainhour when the accident occurred, received minor injuries.

Mr. Spainhour suffered a fractured skull and serious lacerations, and never regained consciousness. His mother and other members of the immediate family reached Raleigh before his death.

Deceased was a son of the late Paul G. Spainhour and Mrs. Spainhour and was reared in this county, where he was considered a model young man. He graduated with honors at the Cove Creek high school last spring and was the valedictorian of his class. He entered State College at the opening of the current term, and was taking a course in chemical engineering. He was well known throughout this section, where news of his death was accompanied by widespread sorrow.

In the immediate family only the mother, the former Miss Maude Mast, survives.

Funeral services were conducted from Henson's Chapel Methodist church on Cove Creek Tuesday morning at 10:30, the pastor, Rev. J. W. Parker, being assisted in the rites by Rev. Paul Townsend of the Boone M. E. Church, and Rev. G. C. Graham of Lewisville.

An immense crowd of friends and relatives gathered for the obsequies and the floral offering was beautiful.

Active pallbearers were: Sam Belk, Jimmie McDougal, Bill Bailey, Ben Horton, Hoy Isaacs, Henry Johnson, Honorary: Frank Mast, Hugh Reese, Carl Lewis, Dale Adams, E. H. Hubbard, Dean Grogan, Jack Grogan, Edgar Bingham, Len Isaacs, Vance Henson, Albert Henson, Stanley Harris, Jr., A. P. Glenn, I. G. Greer, Jr., Joe Greer, Morris Henson, Fred Perry, Lee McGuire, R. D. Hodges, Jr., Roscoe Brown, Malcolm Glover, Robert Brooks.

Flower girls: Mrs. Sam Horton, Hazel Henson, Kate Henson, Virginia Danner, Imogene Castle, Billie Brown, Ruth Henson, Marie Parker, Virginia Mast, Elizabeth Bingham, Sue Mast, Martha Harris, Ruth Miller, Ruth Banner, Virginia Banner, Geneva Mast, Flowers Mast, Nell Mast, Marie Mast, Grace Mast, Madeline Reese, Betty Collins, Susie B. Henson, Ethel Wilson, Amy Johnson, Geraldine Bingham, Rachel Henson, Reba Adams, Chloe Palmer, Alma Hodges, Mary Alcie Palmer, Carolyn Greer, Ruth Wilson, Carolyn Winkler, Ann Walker, Susan Walker, Irene Bryant, Carolyn Miller, Josephine Miller, Elizabeth South, Myrtle Henson, Ruth Johnson Henson, Ruth Greer, Juanita Glenn, Ivalie Smith, Mrs. Henry Mast, Nell Harmon, Janie Harmon.

Interment was in the cemetery near the church.

Dean Edward L. Cloyd of State College, and Mrs. Cloyd; Bill Bailey, president of the student governing body; Sam Belk, college roommate of deceased, and Jimmie McDougal, also of State College, attended the funeral. Others from out of the county attending the rites included: Walter Spainhour, Lenoir; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Spainhour, Ralph Spainhour, Mrs. Hal Teague, Morganton; Joe Spainhour, Kingsport, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spainhour, J. L. Hemphill, North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Ernest Walker, Morganton; Mrs. J. L. Segreaves, Mrs. W. B. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Ira T. Johnston, West Jefferson; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Taylor, Hanes; Rev. G. C. Graham, Lewisville; Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer, I. G. Greer, Jr., and Joe Greer, Thomasville; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hamlet, Morganton.

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District Legion Meeting On 21st

A seventeenth district American Legion meeting will be held at the community house in Morganton, November 21, at 7 p. m., and all local Legionnaires wishing to attend are asked to get in touch with Commander T. A. Weaver not later than November 18th.

Grange Meets



L. J. Tabor of Columbus, Ohio master of the National Grange, will preside today when the organization opens its seventy-second annual convention at Portland, Ohio. The Grange, oldest and largest farm organization in the nation, advocates liberal farm credit and soil conservation. The convention will be climaxed Friday when the seventh degree is conferred on 5,000 candidates in traditional ceremonies.

ARMISTICE DAY IS CELEBRATED

Legion and Auxiliary Stage Carnival and Shooting Match; Business Men Co-operate

The American Legion and Legion Auxiliary joined with the Red Cross in an Armistice Day parade last Friday, at the same time launching the annual Red Cross roll call membership campaign. Members of the Legion and of the Red Cross were in the line of march which was headed by the Boone High School Band.

In the afternoon the Legion sponsored an old-time shooting match, and in the evening there was a display of fireworks in Daniel Boone Park. A carnival was conducted in the Hahn building by the ladies of the Auxiliary, the use of the structure having been generously donated by the owner, and other business men of Boone and Blowing Rock aiding the Auxiliary were:

W. W. Mac Co., Belk-White Co., Smithy's, Burns Grocery, H. C. Hayes' store, Smithy's, Blowing Rock; A. & P. Store, Dixie Stores, Spainhour's, Boone Bargain House, Boone Drug Co., Pearson's Store, B. & M. Grocery.

The Auxiliary extends thanks to the contributors and the proceeds from the events of the day will be used toward the retirement of the indebtedness on the Legion hut.

Appalachian Theatre Has Grand Opening

The Appalachian Theatre, Western North Carolina's finest playhouse, opened its doors to the public Monday afternoon, when several hundred town and county people enjoyed the first showing. Due to the fact that workmen were busy till the last minute putting finishing touches on the building, and because the scaffolding had not yet been removed from the front of the structure, The Democrat found it impossible to get photographs this week to properly feature the opening. By the next issue, however, the building will be in tip-top shape inside and out and the issue will prominently feature the new cinema palace.

Fly Home To Vote; Airplane Can't Land

Messrs. Maurice Eggers and Jas. Farthing, Boone boys, who are teaching in Thomasville, made an airplane trip to Boone Tuesday of last week, for the purpose of participating in the general election, but although they soared above the polling place and about town, there was no chance to exercise the privilege of franchise. A high wind and accompanying rain prevented the pilot from making a landing, and after three attempts the ship was headed back to Thomasville.

GOODFELLOWS CLUB WILL MEET FRIDAY

The Goodfellows Club will hold its regular meeting at the Daniel Boone Hotel tomorrow (Friday) evening and a full attendance of the membership is urged.

TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC ARRANGED

District Health Department Asks that Cases of Tuberculosis be Referred to Clinic

Dr. P. P. McCain, superintendent of the North Carolina Sanatorium, has agreed to furnish one of his clinics for the purpose of diagnosing any cases with a suspicion of tuberculosis. Dr. R. T. Jenkins will probably be the physician in charge.

This clinic will be held in the Alleghany-Ashe-Watauga district December 12 through the 21st. The clinic will start in Sparta on the 12th of December, continuing through 13th; in Jefferson on 14th through the 17th, and in Boone on the 19th through the 21st.

In preparation for this clinic, the department would like to have any cases referred to it by the physicians of the territory, and any families having had cases of tuberculosis in them in the past. First, the tuberculin test is given. This test is entirely harmless, and only those showing positive reactions to the test will be given an appointment. Those attending the clinic will have a fluoroscope examination, and any giving indications for it will receive a thorough physical examination, and if necessary, application papers will be filled out for admission to one of the state sanatoriums.

At these clinics it is possible to handle some 35 patients per day with a maximum of 40. Appointments will be given and each patient notified as to the hour and day for them to attend.

This is a most important service offered by the state to its citizens, and although great progress has been made in the control of tuberculosis, it is necessary for efforts to be continued toward its control, particularly by early diagnosis, reporting of the disease and by proper treatment.

Dr. Robert B. King, district health officer, asks those who are interested to make application at the health office. The service is entirely free.

TODD GIRL'S FOOD WORK WINS MEDAL

Jewel Graham's 4-H Work Receives Recognition in National Contest

Watauga county honors and a gold medal in the fourth National 4-H Food Preparation contest has been awarded to Jewel Graham of Todd, by the national committee on 4-H club work in Chicago on approval of her county agent and state club leader. The medal has embossed on its face a feminine figure of victory bearing a tray loaded with foods and is worn with a clasp. A small 4-H clover completes the design.

Over 1,000 of the medals are provided for county champions by Servel, Inc., which also gives state champions all-expense trips to the national 4-H Club Congress. At that time, eight Electrolux kerosene operated refrigerators and \$1,000 in college scholarships will be presented to top winners. Over 75,000 clubsters and leaders took part in the contest.

FIRST REA POLE IS PLACED



Corporation, left, and Mayor Watt Gregg of Boone, standing beside the first REA pole to be set in the county. Ceremonies marked the actual start of the construction of the electric lines at a point near the county home.

MERCHANTS PLAN FOR CHRISTMAS

Holiday Lights Will Be Turned On in City December 3, Inaugurating Shopping Season

At a meeting of the directors of the Boone Merchants Association, held in the offices of the organization Tuesday afternoon, it was determined that the official opening of the holiday shopping season in Boone will be on Saturday evening, December 3.

The town will be decorated with evergreens and multi-colored lights on a much larger scale than attempted two years ago, when a record crowd of shoppers jammed the town for the gala Christmas opening. Work on the decorations will start in the next few days and the opening evening will be featured by Santa Claus and a big pack of goodies for the kiddies, Christmas carols, etc.

In the meantime merchants of the town are laying away heavy stocks of holiday merchandise, and it is believed that the volume of Christmas buying this year will be large.

STORES TO CLOSE ON THANKSGIVING

Town Will Observe Thanksgiving Day; Most of Business Establishments to Close

The various stores and shops of the city will be closed next Thursday in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The bank, postoffice, county offices, etc., will not be opened, while the mercantile establishments will allow their managers and employees a full day's vacation. Cafes, drug stores and filling stations will cater to the needs of the traveling public.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Winkler, a daughter, who has been named Barbara Dean.

AMENDMENTS IN DISFAVOR HERE

Wataugans Opposed to Two Constitutional Amendments Proposed to Electorate

Watauga county voters went on record as being opposed to the lengthening of the terms of sheriff to four years and by a smaller majority registered their disapproval of the establishment of a state department of justice.

On the four-year term for sheriff, the county vote stood: for, 2,267; against, 2,563.

For the department of justice: for, 1,948; against, 2,002.

Both amendments carried in the state by large majorities.

Veteran Trainman On Radio Program

C. C. Crumley of Boone, for thirty-five years an employee of the East Tennessee & Western North Carolina Railway, is in New York, where he appeared Tuesday evening over the facilities of the Columbia Broadcasting system, on the program, "We the People."

Mr. Crumley related a few of the experiences as conductor on the narrow-gauge railway, which connects Boone and Johnson City, of how "Tweetsie," as his train has come to be known, is loved by the mountain people, and of the odd but complete service rendered the folks who live along the right of way. Mr. Crumley states that the train crew does the shopping "in town" for many of the folks along the line, picks up the kiddies and lets them off at any spot their mothers suggest, sometimes renders first aid treatment to the injured or sick and get few cash fares from the passengers when times are hard. "These streamlined trains are fine," concluded the veteran trainman, "they get you where you want to go mighty quick, but as for me, I guess I'll stay with 'Tweetsie' till the day I die."

FIFTEEN MILES OF POLES ARE SET AS REA PROGRESSES

Contractor Making Good Progress in Constructing Rural Electric Transmission Lines; Virtually Half of Project is Staked Out

Very satisfactory progress is being made in the surveying and construction of the REA lines in Watauga county, states Mr. Harry Dewar, project engineer, who says that already approximately 15 miles of poles have been set by the contractor, Melvin F. Burgess, Inc., and that the engineering forces have staked out almost half of the 176 miles project.

The first pole was set near the county home, and construction is progressing in the direction of Shulls Mills and through the Boone Fork section to the Yonahlossee road. Holes for the poles have been dug over about 20 miles of the route.

In the meantime engineers are completing their staking this week in the Zionville, Silverstone and Beaver Dam sections, and will join the crew in completing the work below Watauga Falls.

Next week work will commence in the Bamboo and Aho sections, the engineers going from there to Deep Gap and Todd.

The contractors have received some 1,500 poles, and approximately half of the other material needed for the project is now in the warehouse of the company here. REA officials are hopeful that a portion of the lines may be energized in time for the holidays.

ACCIDENT FATAL TO WALTER GREEN

Wataugan is Killed While Cutting Timber; Funeral Services Held Sunday

Walter Greene, aged 44, resident of the Deep Gap section, was almost instantly killed last Friday while cutting timber in the home neighborhood, it is related.

Reports indicate that as Mr. Greene felled a tree, a part of one of the branches struck him in the neck, piercing the jugular vein. Neighbors immediately placed the injured man in a car and started to the North Wilkesboro hospital, but he died within a few minutes.

Surviving is the widow, Mrs. Minnie Greene, and five children.

Funeral services were held Sunday and interment was in the home neighborhood.

Constables, Magistrates For County Are Listed

Following are the constables and justices of the peace elected in the various townships of the county last week. The first named in each instance is the constable:

Bald Mountain—Clint Winebarger, Clyde Jackson, John Cox, Clay Pressnell.

Beaver Dam—George Smitherman, Asa L. Reese, Perry Farthing, Fred Hagaman.

Blowing Rock—T. A. Weaver, N. C. Greene, W. T. Vandyke, W. Lee Robbins.

Blue Ridge—George Hayes, Clyde Storie, N. M. Brown, C. C. Storie.

Boone—John K. Brown, M. J. Williams, W. R. Cottrell, E. N. Hahn.

Cove Creek—George Swift, A. B. Harmon, Carl Winebarger, J. A. Castle.

Elk—Virgil Carroll, N. G. Wheeler, Don Hayes, Virgil Greer.

Laurel Creek—Victor Tester, Leonard Fresnell, Conley Trivett, Custer Ward.

Meat Camp—Troy Norris, L. E. Beach, C. G. Hodges, J. W. Wall.

North Fork—R. L. Wallace, Frank Main, C. R. Wilson, D. C. Trivett.

Shawneechaw—Charley Matney, Calvin Yates, Walter Michael, Cicero Townsend.

Stony Fork—George Greer, J. W. Eyers, Jake Moretz, E. A. Russell.

Watauga—Clay Clark, W. P. Coffey, Joe K. Mast, Ed Hollifield.

Red Cross Roll Call Is Under Way

The annual campaign for membership to the American Red Cross is now under way in the county, and Mrs. James Council, chairman of the Watauga chapter, together with Mrs. R. W. Watkins, roll call chairman, are gratified at the initial response of the citizenry. All are urged to have a part in the financing of the humanitarian organization, through the purchase of the one dollar membership cards.

OFFICIAL VOTE OF WATAUGA IN TUESDAY'S ELECTION

	Boone	Bald Mountain	Beaver Dam	Blowing Rock	Blue Ridge	Cove Creek	Elk	Laurel Creek	Meat Camp No. 1	Meat Camp No. 2	North Fork	Shawneechaw	Stony Fork	Watauga	Total	Majority
State Senate																
W. B. Austin, D	87	311	253	63	1900	372	54	327	285	40	42	124	155	293	4306	846
Grant Baugless, R.	111	160	241	299	503	480	140	238	243	36	95	141	268	405	3460	
Legislature																
R. T. Greer, D	73	301	232	60	1938	344	50	329	238	38	45	124	148	282	4198	623
Clyde R. Greene, R.	125	175	262	301	462	521	148	240	289	36	91	142	371	412	3575	
Clerk Superior Court																
A. E. South, D.	89	311	262	65	1936	361	55	336	290	41	55	123	157	297	4378	940
Jim Burkett, R.	109	169	239	297	477	498	140	238	251	36	81	140	364	404	3438	
Sheriff																
A. J. Edmisten, D.	85	312	263	64	1895	367	51	333	276	41	47	124	160	298	4316	820
Tom Miller, R.	112	167	238	297	504	499	144	236	263	36	90	140	366	404	3496	
Surveyor																
C. F. Thompson, D.	86	299	251	63	1874	362	54	336	285	40	42	123	155	293	4263	785
I. A. Bumgarner, R.	111	170	243	295	516	488	139	232	247	36	95	141	365	400	3478	
Coroner																
R. E. Kelley, D.	86	312	263	63	1884	367	54	336	293	40	43	123	157	297	4318	
Commissioners																
Elder McNeil, D.	88	313	255	65	1893	377	53	336	287	42	43	124	157	298	4331	842
C. L. Billings, D.	87	309	260	64	1891	368	53	337	285	40	43	124	154	305	4305	819
Ira Edmisten, D.	86	310	251	46	1882	372	53	343	288	40	43	124	150	299	4305	816
Jason Moretz, R.	111	165	245	297	514	481	140	230	251	36	94	140	375	402	3481	
Stacy Ford, R.	111	163	246	293	509	485	140	228	249	36	94	140	367	398	3461	
Bert Farthing, R.	111	170	244	298	514	491	140	230	249	36	94	140	367	405	3489	
U. S. Senate																
R. R. Reynolds, D.	83	311	255	61	1461	306	50	327	287	39	42	120	152	298	3792	129
C. A. Jonas, R.	114	165	241	299	701	471	142	238	245	36	95	145	365	406	3663	
Congress																
R. L. Doughton, D.	86	313	255	61	1459	312	53	325	290	40	50	120	153	297	3814	148
Monroe Adams, R.	113	164	242	300	706	477	141	241	242	38	87	145	365	406	3667	