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FARLEY TRIP TO BOONE PROBABLE

Postmaster General Asked to Appear at Dedication of New Postoffice Building

That Postmaster General James A. Farley will speak at the dedication of the new postoffice building in September, seems virtually certain, on the basis of information received by Postmaster W. G. Hartzog from Congressman R. L. Doughton.

Mr. Doughton states that he has had a conference with the postmaster general relative to the dedication of the Boone postoffice as well as one at Statesville, and that since Stanley county people are anxious for Mr. Farley to dedicate the Morrow Mountain State park, it is likely the entire program will be encompassed in one trip.

Mr. Farley tells Congressman Doughton that he could come to North Carolina for the purposes stated between the middle and last of September, and that he would be in a position to advise the exact dates available within the next few days.

The event will be eagerly looked forward to by the people of Watauga and surrounding counties, and more definite information will be forthcoming in a short time.

The new postoffice building is being rapidly completed and will be ready for occupancy within a few days.

CONTRACTORS TO MEET AT THE ROCK

Carolina Branch Will Meet at Mayview Following Close of Hotel at Myrtle Beach

Because of the closing of the Ocean Forest hotel at Myrtle Beach, S. C., the Carolina branch, Associated General Contractors of America, has decided to hold its annual summer convention at the Mayview Manor in Blowing Rock, July 21 and 22, it was announced Monday.

Registration will begin at 10 o'clock Friday morning, July 21, in the hotel lobby. Division meetings will be held Friday afternoon. E. J. Blythe of Blowing Rock, will be in charge of the highway and public works division.

Friday evening will be given over to an officers' and directors' reception and buffet supper, a bingo party and dance. Music for the supper will be furnished by Miss Margaret Chesick and Mrs. Ethel McCray.

The first general session will be held Saturday morning, with Edwin M. Jones of Charlotte, responding to the address of welcome. Reports of various committees will be submitted, and the following addresses will be made:

"Safety for Profits in Construction," T. A. Wilson of Raleigh, chairman of the North Carolina industrial commission; "The New Federal Works Agency," E. J. Harding of Washington, managing director of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.; "Re-employment in Construction," W. A. Klinger, president of W. A. Klinger, Inc., Sioux City, Iowa; "National A. G. C. Activities," Guy F. Atkinson, president of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., San Francisco, Calif.

A directors' meeting and luncheon and a golf tournament will be held Saturday afternoon. At 8 o'clock Saturday evening, the annual banquet will be held, with Dr. Julian S. Miller, editor of the Charlotte Observer, as speaker. Golf and attendance prizes will be awarded.

Tom Lowrance Is New WPA Foreman

Mr. Tom Lowrance of Vilas, is carrying forward his work as county-wide foreman of the WPA here, having recently succeeded Mr. Vaught Mast, who retired from the work in order to take up other business activities. Mr. Lowrance, who has had wide experience in highway construction work, and recently in connection with WPA projects, is admirably fitted for his new work.

CURB MARKET IS NOW BEING OPERATED HERE

A curb market, where vegetables, butter, eggs and other commodities, direct from farms and gardens of the county, can be purchased economically, is now being operated near the Highland Furniture store on Depot street. The market, which is under the sponsorship of the home demonstration agent, is open each Tuesday from 8 to noon, and on Saturdays from 8 until 2 o'clock.

FSA Loans Designed to Help Farmers Improve Farms, Chappell Says

Farmers Should Begin Next Year's Farm Plans Now, County Supervisor Points Out

"In a great many cases farmers in Watauga and Avery counties eligible for the credit and farming advice which the Farm Security administration has to offer will want to start a farming program which gradually will build up the land, so that the farm may become a profitable enterprise," says Paul J. Chappell, county FSA supervisor.

The soil improvement and farm improvement phase of FSA's rehabilitation program will be emphasized during the balance of this year, according to Mr. Chappell.

"A sound farm plan should be worked out for each individual farm, and it is not too soon for farmers planning to take advantage of this service for next year to begin making their applications."

Eligible farmers should consult with County Supervisor Chappell, who may be able to furnish credit and to assist in working out farm plans for gradual improvement of their farms.

Loans can be made for purchase of lime, phosphate, seed for cover crops, workstock, livestock, farm implements, fencing for pastures, minor repairs to farm buildings and other items necessary in a sound farming program.

"When the farmer is a renter, a satisfactory lease is necessary for both tenant and landlord to get the fullest benefit from this program," Mr. Chappell said. "A rental agreement covering a period of a year, or one with renewal clause is preferable."

"The credit and advice offered by the Farm Security administration is not for the purpose of promoting a highly specialized type of cash farming, but rather for the purpose of enabling the farmer to work out and follow a long range 'Live-at-Home' farm plan, embracing the production of food for the family, feed for the livestock, adequate cash for farm and family necessities and repaying the loan," he pointed out.

"Loans for non-recoverable goods, such as seed and fertilizer, must be repaid in one year, but a longer period is allowed for that part of the loan which goes to purchase lime, phosphate, livestock and farming equipment, also for repairs of a permanent nature," Mr. Chappell said.

84 Farmers Sell 488 Lambs in 2nd Pool

Eighty-four Watauga farmers on July 1, shipped 488 lambs in the second shipment of pooled lambs this year, County Agent Harry M. Hamilton said today.

The "blue O" lambs netted the farmers an average of \$9.60 per hundred, based on home weight, while the "red O" netted \$8.34 and the "yellow O" \$7.23 per hundred.

These lambs were sold on the Jersey City market on July 5. A number of the lambs in this shipment would have graded higher, Mr. Hamilton says, if they had been treated for stomach worms and sired by a better ram.

CHAS. C. DYER DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Charles C. Dyer, aged 29 years, well-known and popular young man of the Valle Crucis section, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dyer, June 27, after an illness of about 18 months.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon, June 28, from the Holy Cross Episcopal church, of which the deceased was a devoted member, Rev. E. D. Butt being in charge. Interment was in the church cemetery, Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home taking care of the arrangements.

Surviving are the parents, two brothers and two sisters: John and James Dyer of Valle Crucis, Mrs. Ruth Phillips, Lenoir, and Mrs. Emma Carter of Valle Crucis.

McNUTT NAMED HEAD OF SECURITY AGENCY

Washington, July 11—President Roosevelt disclosed today that he did not expect Paul V. McNutt to be an active candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination while directing the new Federal Security administration.

The President sent McNutt's nomination to the senate at noon, and a few hours later said at a press conference that he did not think McNutt would be found running as a presidential candidate any more than a dozen or 15 other individuals who might be named easily.

Federal Works Head



Washington.—John M. Carmody of New York, has been named by President Roosevelt to be head of the new federal works agency. Mr. Carmody is now head of the Rural Electrification administration.

EX-SERVICE MEN SEEK NEW RULING

State Convention Follows Watauga Post in Advocating New Consideration to Veterans

The Watauga Post of the American Legion had the unqualified approval of the recent state Legion convention in their resolution providing, among other things that any World War veteran having an honorable discharge and applying for a position where the government requires a physical examination and being disqualified through physical condition, should be given a rating of 100 per cent if his disabilities are connected with his wartime service.

In giving unanimous approval to the resolution the state convention carries the same to the national convention which will be held in Chicago the latter part of September, where it is predicted by Legion officials it will have smooth sailing. If it does win approval in Chicago, then the resolution will be embodied into a congressional measure, and every effort made to enact it into law. It is interesting to note that practically all legislation asked by the national convention has received congressional enactment.

The full text of the resolution, which has taken on national significance, follows:

Watauga Post No. 130, American Legion, in regular meeting May 12, 1939, adopts the following resolution:

First: That any ex-service man of the army, navy or marine service of the United States who has an honorable discharge as a World War veteran and who applies for any position within the United States requires a physical examination, if he should be disqualified for the position by a physical examination, that he should be given a rating of 100 per cent, if his disabilities are connected with his services in the World War. If non-service-connected, that he be given a disability of 100 per cent and given disability allowance.

Second: That any veteran of the World War who applies for any position in any state or commonwealth, company or corporation where a physical examination is required for a position, if he should be disqualified by a physical examination for a position, that he be given the same benefits as stated in the first paragraph of these resolutions.

Third: That the delegates of Watauga Post No. 130 introduce these resolutions in the state convention to be held in Raleigh, N. C., June 24-27, 1939 and that they write every post of the American Legion in the State of North Carolina requesting them to instruct and pass these resolutions in their posts.

Fourth: That these resolutions be presented by the state delegation to the national convention to be a part of our national program for disabled veterans.

T. A. WEAVER,
Commander, Watauga Post No. 130
LIONELL WARD,
Service Officer, Watauga Post 130.

OFFICERS ENJOY PICNIC ON YONAHLOSSEE ROAD

Thursday evening of last week, state highway patrolmen for the western section of the state, the sheriff of Burke county and his deputies, sheriff's forces of Watauga county, and a number of business men of Boone, joined in a picnic supper at one of the camp sites on the Yonahlossee road. About 100 were present for the enjoyable event.

BURLEY GROUP TO TWIN CITY TODAY

Local People Confer With R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. Regarding Warehouse Proposal

A large group of proponents of the burley tobacco warehouse proposition are going to Winston-Salem today to confer with Mr. W. N. Reynolds of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in further reference to the possibility of manufacturers sending buyers to Boone in the event a market is established in this city.

Those making the trip to Winston-Salem include Mayor W. R. Lovill, H. W. Wilcox, president, and Wade E. Brown, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce; Clyde R. Greene, president of the Merchants Association; Harry M. Hamilton, county farm agent; Dr. H. B. Perry, W. B. Mount and Jack Shoun, prominent business men and stockmen of Shouns, Tenn.

The tobacco manufacturers have already indicated their willingness to send buyers to Boone in the event the purchase of burley tobacco would warrant such action. The delegation, going to Winston-Salem today will "lay the cards on the table," in this regard, and it is believed that the Reynolds interests will readily agree to co-operate in providing a set of buyers. If this assurance is given, then plans for the formation of a stock company and the actual building of the tobacco warehouse will be formulated.

165 Aged of Watauga Get Pension Checks

One hundred and sixty-five old people of Watauga county, actually received pension checks during June, according to Miss Margaret Miller, who states that the figures recently released from Raleigh were in grave error. The amount represented in the June payments was \$1,220, one-fourth of which was paid by the county.

In this connection Miss Miller makes the following statement: "Checks are made payable to the applicant and must be endorsed by him before they can be cashed. If the applicant is unable to sign his name, he must make his mark, which is to be witnessed by two persons. A check cannot be honored unless this procedure is followed, which makes it impossible for a check to be used if delivered after the death of the applicant. There are no provisions whereby a debt of an applicant can be paid if applicant should die before receiving his check."

Summer Term Closes At College Saturday

The first summer term of Appalachian State Teachers College will close at 11 o'clock next Saturday, it is learned, and registrations for the second six weeks semester will get under way next Tuesday.

Quite a large number of students will attend both terms and some hundreds of new ones will enroll next week.

Coat Hangers To Be Sought By Scouts

Members of the local Boy Scout Troops will co-operate with the county welfare department next Monday by canvassing the city, collecting coat hangers. The hangers will be sold and the money derived therefrom, used to aid in paying the hospital expenses of one of the county's indigent children. The co-operation of the people is asked in this instance.

MRS. THOS. J. TUGMAN DIES AT AGE OF 82

Mrs. Anzonette Davis Tugman, widow of Thomas J. Tugman, died at her home in Mead Camp township last Thursday afternoon after a long period of illness. She was 82 years of age.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 Friday afternoon from the Hopewell Methodist church, Rev. W. O. Husz being in charge of the rites and interment was in the churchyard cemetery.

The survivors include three sons and two daughters: Alex Tugman, Boone R. F. D.; Dr. B. W. Tugman, West Jefferson; Grady Tugman, Boone R. F. D.; Mrs. Zora Tatum, Todd; Mrs. Mollie Adams, Sherwood.

Postmaster W. G. Hartzog, Mrs. Hartzog and their son, Gordon, were in Elizabeth City last week, where Mr. Hartzog attended the convention of North Carolina postmasters. They also visited Manteo and attended Paul Green's pageant of the Lost Colony on Roanoke Island.

Dowell Heard At Annual Meeting Of Local Retailers

Re-named President



Clyde R. Greene, who is entering upon his third consecutive term as president of the Boone Merchants Association, was re-elected unanimously by the new board of directors in special session Tuesday afternoon. Mr. John Conway was re-elected without dissent as vice-president, as was Mrs. Ruby Ellis, the secretary to the organization.

MOTORCYCLISTS TO MEET SUNDAY

Annual Field Day for Members of Winston-Salem Motorcycle Club in Boone Next Sunday

The Winston-Salem Motorcycle Club will observe its annual rally in Boone next Sunday when approximately 200 of the throbbing vehicles will gather at the Mrs. Belle Winkler farm. The motorcyclists will come from this state, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee.

Throughout the day Sunday, it is said, racing, hill climbing and other events will be provided for those who like thrills, and as usual a large crowd is expected to gather for the event.

The motorcycle rally has been held in Boone for the past three consecutive years.

Annual Horse Show To Be Held at Blowing Rock

Naming C. V. Henkel, Jr. and Mrs. Joe F. Cannon as directors, swelling the board to 14 members, the Blowing Rock Horse Show association met last weekend and began laying plans for the sixteenth annual show scheduled at Broyhill field August 4 and 5.

The association adopted a resolution to incorporate itself as a non-profit organization, named L. M. Tate, vice-president of the association and general manager of the show, chairman of a committee of three to arrange for prizes, programs and entries, and named Mrs. William Nebel chairman of the entertainment committee (of exhibitors).

Both Mr. Tate and Mrs. Nebel are to choose the other members of their committees.

The complete directors list besides Mrs. Cannon and Mr. Henkel reads: L. M. Tate, Mrs. D. J. Boyden, Billy Nebel, Miss Margaret Vance, Charles G. Beck, Jack G. Craft, C. S. Prevette, Paul Moldenhauer, Mrs. W. C. Hawkins, Anthony J. Panuch, J. L. Snyder and Herbert Stewart. Mr. Snyder is president of the association.

No action on the vacant vice-president's post was taken. It was held by the late J. F. Cannon, who recently died of a heart attack.

13 ARE INJURED IN MORGANTON BLAST

Morganton, July 10—Explosion of dynamite in a barn at the North Carolina School for the Deaf today sent 13 persons to the hospital and hurt others less seriously by scattering timber and debris in a crowd of several hundred spectators.

The blast came 30 minutes after firemen were called to combat flames rapidly enveloping a horse barn in the center of the farm buildings.

Large Attendance at Annual Meeting of Boone Merchants Association; Directors Named Following Banquet Served by Ladies of Church

About fifty people, including local merchants and their employees, attended the annual meeting of the Boone Merchants Association which was held in basement of the Boone Baptist church Monday evening, enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner served by the ladies of the Business Women's Circle of the church, listened to reports of the year's activities of the local organization, and heard an inspirational address by Mr. W. L. Dowell of Raleigh, secretary to the North Carolina Merchants Association.

Mr. Clyde R. Greene, president of the local retailers' group, presided at the meeting and presented a report of the activities of the organization during the past twelve months, and made recommendations for the coming year, including one for a closer co-operation along all business and civic lines.

Mr. John Conway, the vice-president, read the financial statement for the year, while Mrs. Ruby Ellis, the secretary, read her report, indicating the association had enjoyed a fine growth during the past year, and had added eleven new members as against a loss of two. Mrs. Ellis told of the efficient service being rendered the members in the matter of credit information, and said that about fifteen hundred credit cards are now in the offices of the association.

Committees were appointed to contact proper officials in regard to the improvement of the road between Boone and Camp Yonahlossee, to ask the Chamber of Commerce, in the matter of a tobacco warehouse for Boone, and one to urge the town officials to pass proper legislation governing the operation of peddlers of merchandise in the town.

Mr. Dowell, who was introduced to the gathering by President Greene, paid glowing tribute to the works of the Boone merchants group and referred to the splendid cooperation which the state organization had received from the Boone merchants. He lauded Mr. Greene for his work on the state executive committee, and expressed the hope that the local business and civic leader might some day be president of the state association.

Mr. Dowell said "unity of purpose" accomplished all things, and urged his hearers to act as one in matters concerning their business interests as well as civic movements. He said he was proud to be an official of the largest merchants association in the United States and the one that is rendering its members the most complete service of any similar organization in the nation. Referring to the legislative accomplishments of the association, Mr. Dowell pointed with pride to the fact that out of 1,600 measures introduced into the last session of the general assembly, neither of the 98 which would affect merchants adversely had been passed, with the exception of the three per cent sales tax. The speaker, incidentally expressed the opinion that this levy cannot endure as a permanent adjunct to the revenue machinery of the state government. He insisted that the merchants of this community stand together in passing the three per cent on to their customers, because of the manifest impossibility of absorbing the levy and staying in business at the same time.

"The retail mercantile business is the third largest industry in this country," said Mr. Dowell, "and we do not ask for any special favors from government. All we want is an even break with other business enterprises." He stated that merchants should take an interest in government, and expressed the belief that while politics in business isn't good, some business in politics is wholesome.

The speaker believes the hand of taxation has been laid more heavily on retailers than on any other class perhaps, and called for closer co-operation among merchants to the end of removing discrepancies.

Mr. Dowell answered various questions propounded by members at the end of his address and a sort of round table discussion was engaged in. Of paramount interest to the local merchants was his reference to Section 121 of the 1939 revenue act, which he says, gives towns, counties and the state the right to charge a tax of \$200 each against peddlers of merchandise.

W. O. Robertson, chairman of a nominating committee, offered the following board of directors for the (Continued on page eight)