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Following is a list of the pri-mary election officials, the first named in each instance being the registrar, the second the Democratic and third, the Republican judge.

LAST RITES HELD

## **JACK ROACH TAKES** MANAGERSHIP OF RIVERSCAMPAIGN

Former Mayor of Statesville and Former Director of State Prison Department Resigns Position to Direct Congressional Campaign of Jim Rivers

Jack B. Roach, former executive director of the prison division, state highway department and mayor of the city of Statesville for three successive terms, today accepted the management of Jim Rivers' cam-paign for congress in the ninth North Carolina district.

## Get Diplomas at **Cove Creek Finals**

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Bethel School To

IMPOSING NEW FEDERAL BUILDING D DICATED



Boone's \$75,000 postoffice building which was dedicated this morning with appropriate ceremonies. Postmaster General James A. Farley delivered the dedicatory address, and was introduced to the vast assemblage by Congressman Robert L. Doughton.

# **Farley And Doughton Are Heard** At Post Office Dedication Today

**Dedicates Building** 

**Doughton Presents General Far** ley; Cites Figures on New Postoffices, and Lauds Farley for Part in Enlargement of **Postal Facilities; Farley Gives** Growth of Service; Full Text of Address

Following is the introduction of Postmaster General Farley by Con-gressman Doughton:

This is one of the most gratifying and inspiring occasions which I have witnessed and purticipated in dur-ing my long service as your repre-sentative in the national congress. Your attendance here in such vast numbers bears convincing testimony of the importance of the occasion and your interest in matters so vi-tally and directly affecting this community and this section of west-ern North Carolina.
We are here to dedicate your splendid and useful postoffice build-ing to the service of the citizens of boone and surrounding territory. Constructed of local stone, it is not only beautiful but has the perman-ence of old Grandfather mountain itself.

itself. The very presence of this multi-tude of people expresses more elo-quently than any words I could ut-fer your appreciation and gratitude, not only for this special manifesta-tion of the deep interest which the national government is taking in your well being, but also for the constant and successful efforts of the administration to advance the welfare, the peace and the security of the entire citizenship of our na-tion.

ollars, Virginia Banner, astle, Billie Harmon, Bil-Dean Grimsley, Harold in Sheppard and Carl School To Close April 20th



Postmaster General James

**REPUBLICANS TO MEET SATURDAY** 

Delegates to State and Congressional Conventions to Be Named at County Meeting

**Census Takers Named** 

**For Mountain Counties** 

## **BURLEY VENTURE PAYS A PROFIT OF** \$1,315 FIRST YEAR

Stockholders Meet to Declare 10 Per Cent Dividend on Stock in Burley Tobacco Warehouse; Name Officers; New Structure to Be Built

The stockholders of the Mountain Burley Warehouse met last Thurs-day evening to declare a 10 per cent dividend on the first year's opera-tion of the venture, to make plans for the early construction of a new warehouse, to nome officers and to receive detailed report of the fiscal condition of the corporation. Thirteen hundred and fifteen dol-lars in dividend checks will be dis-tributed to 65 stockholders the first of May, representing a 10 per cent investment on \$13,150 in outstand-ing stock.

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ing stock. The financial report of the enter-prise after one year's operation re-vealed that 1.637,196 pounds of bur-ley tubacco had been marketed for a price of \$261,951.36. Rentals of \$2,198,09 were collected, all pay-ments on indebtedness met in full, current bills paid and there remains in the treasury of the corporation \$69,98, after the ten per cent is paid to the shareholders. The invest-ment in warchouse facilities is now \$25,527.97. Officers Named

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## WIDE PUBLICITY IS GIVEN AREA

#### National Magazines Carry Appeal of This Section to Half Million Readers

Million Readers Mr. H. W. Wilcox, manager of the local bus terminal, has distributed a large number of copies of the Trail-way and Highway Traveler maga-zines, which carry illustrated stories concerning Boone and Blowing Rock to more than a half million readers throughout the country. The stories recite in detail the many advant-ages the Blowing Rock region of-fers to tourists and others and are profusely illustrated. In the meantime the Trailways has proposed to assist in further publicizing this region by a hand-some display in their Chicago ter-minal. Good local photographs, says Mr. Wilcox, will be blown up to giant size in colors and will be used for a background Against this background they propose the plant-ing of mountain laurel and rhodo-dendron, which they have asked Mr. Wilcox to ship while the plants are in bud. Upon receipt of the plants a Chicago nurseryman will give them proper treatment pot them and make them ready for the dis-play where they will remain for about a week. The Trailways sys-trin maintains one of the finest ter-minals in the country, located in the heart of Chicago. Mr. Wilcox also says that only re-cently the Queen City Coach Com-pany made a motion picture of this section, containing about 400 feet on pany made a motion picture of this section, containing about 400 feet on Boone and the immediate section. This film will be seen in Chicago this month at the annual travel



Farley, ranking contender for the Democratic presidential honors, who delivered the principal ad-dress at the dedication of the Boone postoffice this morning,

convention.

Large Numbers Gather for Spec-

over Watauga and adjoining counties, as well as Piedmont and eastern Carolina, estimated at some three thousand, gathered in Boone today to take part in the d.d.licatiny exercises for the new Boone post-office, in which Postmaster General James A. Farley was the principal time.

figure. Due to a delay on the trip from Asheville, Mr. Farley and party ar-rived at 12 o'clock rather than at 11 as scheduled, and the crowds were entertained in the meanline by brief extemporaneous remarks by various visitors. Kind Brewer, for-mer Appalachian tootball mentor, in-troduced the visitors, whe included State Democratic Chairman Gregg Cherry, Walter Murphy, Secretary of State Thad Eure Commissioner of Agriculture Kerr Scott, various candidates for size offices, postmas-ters and other visiting etizens. Lovill Extends Welcome figure.

Lovill Extends Welcome Upon the arrival of the Farley party, Mayor W. R. Lovill, m glow-ing terms, welcomed the visitors to the city and paid tribute to Dr. Dougherty, Congressman Doughton, Governor Hoey and others.

Congressman Doughton rather closely followed the prepared text of his remarks, which appear in anoth-er column, in his introduction of Mr. Farley.

The postmaster general, whose hat

### Pioneer Jeweler of This City Succumbs to Paralytic Stroke; Had Lived Here 41 Years

FOR JAMES BRYAN

Funeral services were conducted from the late residence Sunday aft-ernoon for James W. Bryan, 80 years old, one of the town's most aged citizens, who succumbed early Fri-day morning. The immediate cause of his death was paralysis.

The rites, which were attended by a large number of old friends, were conducted by Rev. J. C. Canipe, of the Boone Baptist church and in-terment was in the city cemetery. Survivors include one daughter by a former marriage, Mrs. Clyde Phillips of Mebane; two brothers, Henry and J. R. Eryan of Meat Camp. Three sisters also survive. Mrs. Martha C. Lewis, Ashland: Mrs. R. C. Phillips, Mebane, and Miss Sarah Bryan, Boone. Mr. Bryan was born in Meat The rites, which were attended by

Miss Sarah Bryan, Boone. Mr. Bryan was born in Meat Camp township, a son of the late John G. Bryan. He came to Boone 41 years ago, where he opened a jewelry and watchmaking business. He was actively engaged in this en-terprise until a few years ago, when declining health, accompanied by al-most total blindness, brought about his retirement. his retirement.

Mr. Bryan was for many years a

Bethel school is scheduled to close on Saturday. April 20. Final de-tails concerning commencement are being rapidly formulated. Followbeing rapidly formulated. Follow-ing is an outline of commencement activities:

Saturday evening, April 13, 8:00: Senior class play, "A Ready-Made Family."

Family." Sunday afternoon, April 14, at 2:30: Baccalaureate sermon, Bethei Baptist church, Rev. Paul Tovrn-send, pastor of Boone Methodist church, delivering the sermon. Thursday afternoon, April 18, at 2:30, grammar grade and primary program, including historical play, rhythm. band, and primary operetta, "Children of Old Mother Goose." Thursday evening. April 18, at

Children of Old Mother Goose." Thursday evening, April 18, at 6:00: Senior class night exercises, "A Southern Rosary." Friday evening, April 19, at 8:00: high school graduation exercises, Dr. W. Amos Abrams of Appaiachian College, delivering the address. Saturday, April 20: Closing day of school.

#### TOWNSEND TALKING PICTURE TO BE SHOWN HERE APRIL 11

A program of talking pictures ex-planning the Townsend old-age pen-sion plan, showing the need for and the practicability of this plan, will be given at the meeting of the local Townsend Club in the bowling alley on Railroad avenue Thursday night, April 11, at 7:30. Business men of the town are especially invit-ed because this program, it is said. Mr. Bryan was for many years a justice of the peace, had been mayor or the town, and was the first game warden for Watauga county. He was well known throughout this re-gion, where his amiable disposition and neighborliness had won for him a wide circle of friends. He had been a member of the Christian church for many years.

other public building is so in-No

No other public building is so in-timately connected with your daily atafirs as your local postoffice. It takes its place along with your courthouse, churches and schools as a wisely established and well de-signed implement of public service. Since March 4, 1933, a period of seven years, more than 2,100 postof-fice, buildings have been crected throughout the United States. In the eight preceding years only 710

the eight preceding years, only 710 such buildings were erected. Since March 4, 1933, 63 postoffice buildings have been constructed in North Carolina alone; while during the preceding eight years our state had only 14 new federal buildings con-

structed. The one man along with his able

assistants, to whom should go the greatest credit, honor and praise for this super building brogram and the tremendous growth and improve-ment in our postal facilities is with

counties. They are: Watauga County Mrs. Ruby Baird, John D. Wine-barger, Hayden Fox, Mrs. Jessie Mae Harmon, Doughton Greene, Evans W. Miller, Thos. H, Coffey, Jr., D. M. Edmisten, Asa L. Reese, Edgar B. Hardin, Kent K. Brown, Charles Tester, Mrs Amelia C. Greer, Manley J. Williams, Charles G. Hodges, R. C. Greene. Allechary County ment in our postal facilities is with us today. A man of worthy actions and noble deeds, a man who never neglects a duty, never breaks a promise nor forgets a friend; a great Democrat, an eminent statesman, an outstanding American citizen. La-dies and gentlemen, I have the great honor of presenting the postmaster general of the United States, the Honorable James A. Farley. FARLEY SPEECH

#### FARLEY SPEECH

It is always a great pleasure for me to have the opportunity of vis-iting the fine old state of North Carolina, particularly when the oc-casion of my visit relates to the ded-ication of a postoffice. I want you to know that I am grateful for the invitation to come to Boone today to take part in these ceremonies.

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The Republicans of Watauga county are to meet in convention at the courthouse here next Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock, the purpose of the gathering being to name dele-gates to the congressional and state conventions, and to transact such cther business as may properly come before the convention. The chairmen of the various town-ship committees are requested to hold primaries on Friday at 2 o'clock at the voting places for the purpose of naming delegates to the county convention

turn him to congress again and again. He said official Washington was gratified at Mr. Doughton's decision to "remain in congress ano-ther term."

Postmaster Wiley G. Hartzog pre-sided and Rev. Paul Townsend of the Boone Methodist church said the invocation, and Miss Virginia Wary's a cappella choir led the singing of "Star Spangled Banner."

The Boone High School Band won Mr. Oscar Joines of the census special praise for their concerts throughout the morning hours, and are due the thanks of the communibureau at Salisbury, was in Boone last week and gave The Democrat a corrected list of the census enufor their splendid performanc merators who have been appointed for Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany counties. They are: The Democrat is presenting under the same heading the full text of congressman Doughton's and Mr. Farley's addresses

Farley's addresses. At about two o'clock General Far-ley, Mr. Doughton and a large num-ber of local people left for States-ville, where the postoffice will be dedicated, and where there will be a rally of the Young Democratic Club of the night district this area Club of the ninth district this evening.

TO MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

The Fish and Game Club will meet Friday night, April 12, in the office of Mayor Lovill. All persons interested in fish and game are cordially invited to attend.

### Fire at Mac Store **Does Small Damage**

The fire department was called out Sunday afternoon to quench a small blaze in the W. W. Mac five and ten-cent store, which originated from an electric heater wyhich Manager McGill was using in his of-Manager McGill was using in his of-fice. The flames were promptly ex-tinguished through the use of chem-ical tanks and the damage is not in excess of \$50, it is said. Office rec-ords of the store were destroyed and some merchandise damaged. Mr. McGill had been doing some work in the office and was called to the street by a friend. During his absence, some papers caught from the electric heater and the flames cuickly spread to inflammable ma-terial nearby.

Alleghany County Alleghany County Thomas R. Green, W. F. Jones, L. A. Andrews, E. E. Honaker, Mrs. Pauline Miller, S. C. Halsey, Mrs. Ruth Hackler.

Ashe County Miss Margarite

In 1937, two out of every five farmers in the United States were tenants.

FISH AND GAME CLUB