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## HORTON QUILTS GOVERNOR'S RACE

No State-Wide Run-Off in Either Party; Pritchard Withdraws in G. O. P. Race

Tall, dark-haired Joseph Melville Broughton, 51-year-old Raleigh attorney who is known by his friends as "Mel," will become the next governor of North Carolina.

An otherwise listless gubernatorial campaign came to a sudden and unexpected finish Monday when the Democratic nomination was laid in Broughton's lap by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Horton of Pittsboro. The nomination is equivalent to election.

Governor Hoy quickly let it be known that he had given his unqualified endorsement to Horton's withdrawal.

"It is a very fortunate circumstance that the people will not have the tenseness of a second primary," Hoy said.

Broughton and Horton were high man and runner-up, respectively, in a seven-man field for the gubernatorial nomination in the first primary on May 25. As soon as it became apparent from incomplete returns that Broughton did not receive a clear majority, Horton announced he would call for a second primary.

But Monday, about an hour after the state board of elections certified returns of the first primary, Horton announced his withdrawal in a statement which said: "It appears that the best interests of the Democratic party will be served by terminating the matter without further contest. . . . I am a party man."

A second primary already has been requested in the eighth congressional district, where the incumbent, W. O. Burgin of Lexington, and C. B. Deane of Rockingham, finished first and second in the race for the Democratic nomination to the U. S. house of representatives. Burgin received 18,948 votes and Deane 18,113.

In conceding the nomination, Horton eliminated the possibility of a state-wide Democratic primary. The possibility of a state-wide Republican second primary also was eliminated when George M. Pritchard of Asheville, announced he would not contest the gubernatorial nomination of Robert H. McNeill of Washington, D. C., and Statesville. In the first primary, McNeill received 13,130 votes; Pritchard received 11,847.

W. Erskine Smith of Allamatic, has conceded the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor to R. L. Harris of Roxboro, who led in the first primary.

The meeting of the state board of elections in Raleigh Monday was of a routine nature. The Democratic gubernatorial vote as finally certified, gave Broughton 147,386 and Horton 105,916.

## First Shipment Lambs To Be On Thursday

The first shipment of pooled lambs will be made from Watauga on Thursday, June 13, according to word from the county agent's office. Farmers are asked to have their lambs at the scales on time so that the graders can meet the following weighing schedules:

- C. B. Reese's at 8 a. m.
- Mrs. W. Y. Farthing's at 9 a. m.
- John Ward's at 10:30 a. m.
- Hard Mast's at 11:30 a. m.
- Ed Shipley's at 12:30 p. m.
- Odes Wilson's at 2 p. m.
- R. A. Thomas' at 3 p. m.
- A. N. Thomas' at 4 p. m.
- W. S. Moretz's at 8 a. m.
- C. D. McNeill's at 9 a. m.
- Boone Stock Yards at 10 a. m.
- Avery Greene's at 11 a. m.
- W. A. Proffitt's at 12 m.
- Claude Shore's at 2 p. m.
- Lee Carenders' at 3:30 p. m.
- W. W. Mast's at 4:30 p. m.

## Preachers' Meeting To Be Held Monday

A preachers' conference is to be held at the Boone Baptist church next Monday, starting at 2 p. m., and on behalf of the committee, Rev. J. C. Campe releases the following program for the occasion:

- Subject: "The Preacher and His Field."
- "Vision of the Field," John 4:35-38—Rev. Dwight Edmisten.
- "The Preacher and the Cultivation of His Field," 1 Cor. 3:1-9—Rev. N. M. Greene.
- "The Preacher and His Flock," Acts 20:27-28—Rev. R. B. Page.

All preachers and deacons are urged to attend and be prepared to take part in the discussions.

## Says Flowers On Parkway Beautiful

Mr. Robert Coombs, forest ranger on the parkway area in this vicinity, calls attention to the fact that the flowering shrubbery along the scenic highway is now in full bloom and visitors are invited to see the gorgeous plants while they are at their best.

Mr. Coombs asks visitors and others to refrain from picking or molesting the flowers in violation of the law.

## Joins Hospital Staff



Dr. J. E. Billings, native Wataugan, who has joined the staff of the Johnson-Hall hospital at Calhoun, Ga.

## Dr. Billings Joins Staff Ga. Hospital

Dr. J. E. Billings, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Billings of the Watauga Falls section of Watauga county, and who has recently practiced at Fairmont, Ga., is now connected with the staff of the Johnson-Hall hospital at Calhoun, Ga. This hospital is now engaged in a large-scale building program which will double its present bed capacity.

Dr. Billings, who has practiced medicine at Fairmont for the past eight years, doing the major portion of the practice on the eastern side of Gordon county, is an A.B. graduate of Berea college, a B.S. graduate of the University of Georgia, and took his M.D. degree at the University of Georgia medical college at Augusta.

Following his graduation from medical college, Dr. Billings served twelve months' general internship at Georgia Baptist hospital in Atlanta, and took post graduate work at Georgia and Emory university.

Dr. Billings is a member of the Baptist church, is a Mason, a member of his county, district and state medical societies and of the American Medical Association. He is also serving as a member of the board of trustees of the Fairmont school. Dr. Billings will occupy the residence now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Fite as soon as they have arranged for other quarters. His offices will be in the hospital building, in the present dental offices of Dr. F. C. Belding.

## ROBBINS OFFICER IN MAYOR'S GROUP

### Blowing Rock Mayor Elected Vice-President of Mayor's Association

Mayor Grover C. Robbins of Blowing Rock, was elected one of the vice-presidents of the Western North Carolina Mayor's Association at the organization meeting held in Charlotte last Saturday afternoon. Dan K. Moore of Sylva, was named as the second vice-president.

James M. Washburn of Lake Lure, was made president of the organization, James Coad of Hickory, secretary.

The purpose of the mayor's association will be that of building a closer relationship between towns and cities in western North Carolina, their chambers of commerce and other commercial bodies, all to work for the general welfare of this section. A special effort will be put forth to bring more visitors to western North Carolina, and tours will be organized to visit other states to advertise the attractions of western Carolina.

## Senator Connally To Speak at Blowing Rock

Senator Tom Connally of Texas, one of the senate's greatest orators and most colorful figures, will address the North Carolina Bar Association at Blowing Rock June 29.

Representative Lindsay Warren announced Friday that the Texan had accepted the invitation extended by the first district congressman in behalf of the state bar association. The banquet will be held at Mayview Manor, Blowing Rock.

The tall, stately Texan is one of the most formidable opponents in any senate debate. His eloquence, barbed with a ready and telling wit, is surpassed by few. Topped with flowing, snow-white hair, he is a distinguished figure on the senate floor.

## GROCERY REMODELED

Hollar's Grocery, one of the town's popular food stores, has just completed the remodeling of the store room. The interior has been repainted, there has been a general rearrangement of counters and display stands, and the appearance and convenience of the place has been greatly improved.

## RED CROSS FUNDS ALMOST TO GOAL

Large Contribution by Blowing Rock Presbyterian Church Swells Relief Fund

The Watauga county chapter, American Red Cross, was less than seven dollars below its original quota of \$300 for relief of non-belligerent victims of the European war, after a check for \$174.50 forwarded by Mr. H. P. Holshouser on behalf of the Blowing Rock Presbyterian church had been credited. The generous action of this church greatly heartened local Red Cross workers who are now faced with raising another \$300 to take care of the unparalleled situation which has arisen in Europe.

The contributions to date are as follows:

Previously reported	\$ 91.08
Riverview School	1.05
Mrs. Mae Miller	1.00
Blowing Rock Presbyterian Church	174.50
Beaver Dam Baptist Church	11.00
Miss Carrie Smith	10.00
Mrs. Irby Long	5.00

Total \$293.63

Mrs. E. E. Garbee, chairman of the local Red Cross chapter, has received word from the national headquarters that the ten million originally sought must be doubled to meet what is described as "the greatest tragedy in all history." "It is impossible to describe the pitiful plight of millions of refugees in France. Sick, wounded, hungry and homeless, they cry out to us for help. We will need much more than ten million dollars, and chapters should double their quotas. In fact, the only limitation should be maximum generosity of the American people."

Every effort will be made locally to raise the second \$300 to meet the grim emergency, and contributions may be left with Miss Gragg at the Northwestern Bank, with Mrs. Garbee or at the Watauga Democrat office. It is urged that those intending to contribute, do so at once, in order that relief facilities may reach the stricken at the earliest possible moment.

At press time the following additional Red Cross contributions are announced: Mrs. Minnie Watson, \$1.00; Woman's Auxiliary Valle Crucis church, \$0.50; Daniel Boone Hotel, \$1.47; Boone Steam Laundry, \$2.00; S. T. Moser, \$5.00.

## Keith Saunders Is Visitor In Boone

Keith Saunders, representative of the highway safety division, Raleigh, visited Boone Wednesday for the purpose of checking up on the activities of the Youth Highway Safety Club in Watauga county.

Following a conference with Mrs. Claire L. Simpson, county NYA supervisor, Mr. Saunders said the local club, one of two set up on an experimental basis preliminary to a state-wide expansion, apparently is doing a good job in developing a greater safety-consciousness among the youth of Watauga county.

Mr. Saunders said the safety division is now working up some projects for the Highway Safety Club to carry out in this county.

Mr. Saunders, a former newspaperman, is publicity man for the highway safety division. While in Boone, he called on the editor of the Watauga Democrat and discussed with him the division's program.

## Townsend Club Meets On Thursday Evening

There will be a meeting of the Townsend Club at the county building in Boone Thursday evening, June 6, at 8 o'clock.

A number of visitors are expected at the meeting, including Mr. and Mrs. John Costello of Southern Pines. The entire membership of the club is urged to be present.

## CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

A civil service examination to fill the position of postmaster at Todd and Warrenville, N. C., will be held at the Boone high school building on Saturday, June 8. Full information may be secured from J. W. Norris, secretary civil service commission, postoffice building, Boone.

## Red Cross Dance Here Tuesday Nite

At press time arrangements have been completed by the Tuesday Night Club for a dance to be held at the Tobacco Warehouse in Boone next Tuesday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross war relief fund.

Music for the ball is to be supplied through the courtesy of Mr. Jack Craft by Frederick's Mayview Manor Orchestra, and the entire proceeds will be turned over to the Watauga Red Cross chapter for the relief of war sufferers in Europe.

Advance ticket sales to the ball will be at the following places: Mayview Manor, Green Park Hotel, Blowing Rock Drug Co., Blowing Rock: Boone Drug Co., Carolina Pharmacy, Appalachian Soda Shop, Boone.

## FLOTS AND JETSAM



France.—A group of Belgian refugees, carrying what is left of their worldly possessions, file along a road in France to a haven far from the Nazi blitzkrieg.

## Speaks Saturday



Thomas E. Dewey of New York, leading aspirant for the Republican presidential nomination, who will speak in Winston-Salem next Saturday evening at 7:30. A large number of Watauga county Republicans expect to hear Mr. Dewey.

## BLOWING ROCK, LENOIR ROAD OPEN

Retreatment of Highway Completed; Work to Start on U. S. 421

The retreatment of U. S. highway 321 between Blowing Rock and Lenoir was completed Monday afternoon, and will be reopened to traffic Wednesday afternoon, according to information from J. H. Council, district highway engineer.

Mr. Council expresses appreciation to the public in general for their patience and co-operation during the period in which the road was being improved. He thinks the people will be justly compensated for the inconvenience by the higher type of work obtained by this method of procedure.

This completes for the season, all retreatment work in this district that will seriously interfere with tourist traffic.

It is understood that U. S. 421 from the Wilkes county line to Miller's Creek will be closed for retreatment about Thursday or Friday of this week. While detour signs will necessarily have to route traffic over U. S. 221 to Jefferson and N. C. 16 to Millers Creek, Mr. Council reminds the public that all non-commercial traffic may follow the Blue Ridge parkway from Deep Gap to the junction of N. C. 16 near Glenale Springs, and commercial traffic will find a very good county road from Deep Gap postoffice via Idlewild and Obids to junction N. C. 16, if they should prefer this route rather than going by way of Jefferson.

## JOHN W. HODGES BLOCK RAPIDLY CONSTRUCTED

Former Sheriff John W. Hodges is making splendid progress in the construction of his business building adjacent to the Greene Inn, on the lot formerly occupied by the Carolina Pharmacy. The building which was originally intended to house only two business enterprises on the street floor, was redesigned, and a full second story has been added, which will be used for household apartments.

The brick walls have been completed, and the new building will be ready for occupancy within a few weeks.

## REVIVED

T. J. Phillips of Yancey county, says that by using superphosphate and lime he has been able to get a set of clover on land that previously failed to make a good growth of the crop.

National forest constitute 13 per cent of Wyoming's total area.

## LADIES NIGHT IS PLANNED BY C OF C

Commerce Body and Ladies to Enjoy Banquet Tuesday Evening; Unusual Entertainment

The members of the Boone Chamber of Commerce will be hosts to their wives and girl friends at a dinner party to be held in the basement of the Boone Baptist church Tuesday evening at 7:30 and Mr. H. W. Wilcox, president of the organization, is urging all the business men of the city to be present.

Mr. W. F. Bridges of Asheville, president of the Smoky Mountain Tours Company will speak briefly to the gathering and will exhibit a colored motion picture of scenes in the Smoky Mountain park, and other interesting points in western North Carolina. The film is most entertaining and has been well received wherever shown.

Mr. Wilcox states that two new firms have joined the Chamber of Commerce since last week, A. & P. Tea Company and Boone Steam Laundry. Those who haven't joined are asked to do so and lend their support to the promotion of this section of the state.

A new folder is soon to be printed for this city and anyone having some good scenic pictures it would be appreciated if they would submit them to Mr. Wilcox for consideration.

## MANY ENROLLING FOR SUMMER TERM

Appalachian College Registers 470 First Day and Students Continue to Arrive

Students from all over North Carolina and several other states began to arrive at Appalachian College Monday and on Tuesday, the first day of registration, 470 were enrolled for the first summer term.

Although classes began Wednesday, registration will continue throughout the week. According to information from the college Wednesday morning, the total enrollment is expected to be in excess of 700 for the term, which is about the same as last year. However, it is difficult to make definite estimates, since many come to Appalachian without having made previous reservations.

## PARKWAY FUND VOTED BY HOUSE

Senate Amendment Adding \$6,000,000 For Blue Ridge and Natchez Trace Passed

Overriding Republican opposition, the house last Thursday approved a senate amendment to the interior department 1941 supply bill adding \$6,000,000 in contract authorizations for work on the Blue Ridge and Natchez Trace parkways.

The contract authorization added by the senate was in addition to a \$2,000,000 cash appropriation carried in the bill for the two parkways, already approved by both houses.

The cash appropriation would be divided between the two parkways, \$700,000 for the Natchez Trace in Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama, and \$1,300,000 for the Blue Ridge parkway in Virginia and North Carolina. The \$6,000,000 contract authorization will be allotted in the same proportion, \$2,100,000 for the Natchez Trace and \$3,900,000 for the Blue Ridge.

Mrs. Margaret Tucker of St. Louis, Mo., spent last week visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clay. She will return home after a visit this week with friends in Winston-Salem.

## SUMMER TERM FOR CITY SCHOOLS WILL START ON TUESDAY

Appalachian Demonstration and High Schools Will Conduct Special Eight Weeks Term; a Resume of Courses Offered and Faculty Personnel

The summer session of the Appalachian demonstration schools will begin on Tuesday, June 11, Mr. Chappell Wilson, director, announced today. The session will run for eight weeks.

The high school will offer instruction in English, social studies, science, mathematics, French and typing. The class periods will begin at 8:30 each morning and run until 12:30. No afternoon classes will be held and no classes will be conducted on Mondays. Students may take as much as one and one-half units of work, though one unit is considered a load for the average student. All work will meet the requirements of the Southern Association of High Schools and Colleges. A registration fee of two dollars will be charged each high school student. There will also be a small additional charge for books and a special fee for typing.

## Hamrick Principal

Mr. A. Frank Hamrick, M.A., acting principal of the high school for the past year, will serve as principal and teacher of the social studies. He will be assisted by a corps of well-trained and capable teachers. Mrs. J. E. Rivers, M.A., and Mr. Chalmers McCollum, M.A., of the regular school faculty, will be in charge of instruction in English and science, respectively; Dr. Oliver Karkaker of the University of Illinois, will teach French; Mr. James C. Cunningham, M.A., will teach mathematics, and Miss Mary Eunice Sapp, M.A., will teach typing and shorthand.

## Elementary School

The elementary school will open at the same time and will follow the same schedule. Mr. John T. Howell, principal, requests that all elementary school children register at the opening of the term. Parents of children who will reach the age of six before October 1, are urged to have them attend school this summer. The elementary school will offer instruction in all grades. A small fee of 50 cents will be charged each pupil to cover the cost of books and supplies.

The faculty of the elementary school will consist of Mr. John T. Howell, M.A., M.Ed., principal; Paul S. Rollins, B.A., M.A., seventh grade; Mr. J. E. Rivers, B.S., M.A., fifth and sixth grades; Miss Margaret McQuinn, B.A., M.A., fourth grade; Miss Dorothy Cain, B.S., M.A., third grade; Miss Marian Lisor, B.A., B.E., M.A., first grade. The second grade teacher will be announced later.

## Instruction in Swimming

An effort will be made to provide instruction in swimming for all pupils enrolled in either the elementary or the high school, and enrollment in the summer school will entitle the boys and girls of the community to use the college pool.

Band rehearsals will also be held daily at 2:30. Mr. Arthur Klein, B.A., of Richmond, Ky., has been secured as band director for the summer.

## Summer Term Advantages Cited

The summer sessions of the local schools give the boys and girls of this vicinity practically all the advantages of a twelfth grade and a nine months term. Students in the high school division may take courses they could not take otherwise, or they may use the credit earned during the summer to reduce the amount of work required in the regular session. In addition, the summer school provides the student with the opportunity to obtain a type of individual instruction impossible during the regular term.

## New Building Started For Ford Auto Agency

Work has been commenced on the construction of a new building to house the salesrooms and repair shops of the Barnett-Nichols Motor Co. The new structure will be located on Depot street adjacent to the Hi-Land Furniture store, and will be 55x90 feet, of native stone construction and will be completed and ready for occupancy by August 1.

At the same time it is announced that Mr. Earl Cook has bought out the interest in the business owned by Mr. Dewitt Barnett, and now Mr. Cook and Mr. A. F. Nichols are joint owners of the agency and its properties. The name of the business will not be changed for the time being, it is said.

## MISS BOYD NOW HAS RADIO PROGRAM ON AIR

Miss Florence Boyd of Blowing Rock, now has arrangements for a radio broadcast over station WBIG, Greensboro, which began last Saturday with an excellent string band taking part in the broadcast. Miss Boyd's work in behalf of the crippled children of the mountains will be explained during the course of these broadcasts.