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MARVIN NORRIS IS FATALLY INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Meat Camp Farmer Struck By Winston-Salem Man, who is Absolved of Blame in Connection With Accident

Marvin Council Norris, 43, Meat Camp farmer and World War veteran, was fatally injured Wednesday evening, when struck by an automobile on Highway 421, just within the city limits. Worth W. Walker, landscape architect of Winston-Salem, driver of the car, was exonerated before a coroner's jury Thursday afternoon, after having been held in jail since the accident, pending investigation.

Witnesses testified that Norris and a brother were walking along the highway and hailed a pick-up for a ride. When the vehicle stopped, Norris started across the highway, directly in the path of the Winston-Salem car.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 11 o'clock from Bethel Methodist church and interment was in the family cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mae Cox Norris; five children, Robert, Roy, Ronda, J. D. and Ruth Norris, all of Boone Route 2; Mrs. Lelia Norris, mother of the deceased, one brother, Clyde Norris, two sisters, Mrs. W. M. Beach, Springfield, Ill., and Mrs. Marvin Greene, Sparta, Mo.

App's Key Gridman



Ted Reitzle, Appalachian pivot marvel, remains key man in the Mountaineer club as plans get underway for King College here Friday afternoon.

KING COLLEGE WILL PLAY HERE FRIDAY

Game Shifted From Saturday to Please Townspeople; Other Games Slated

With the recent 9-7 victory over Newberry boosting the Mountaineer spirit to its highest peak of the season, Coach Red Watkins issued a storm warning to his Appalachian gridmen as drill got under way for the King College Tornadoes here Friday afternoon.

The shift in date from Saturday afternoon to Friday was made effective on request of townspeople who find it inconvenient to close shop on Saturdays. Consequently an elevated local attendance is expected.

It will be King's return to avenge last year's 12-0 defeat by the Mountaineers, and the fact that they are reporting well-conditioned for the engagement points to a close contest.

With the dual purpose of conditioning the Appalachian varsity for King and the freshmen team for their opening game with undefeated Mass Hill here Saturday afternoon, Coach Watkins has thrown the regulars against the newcomers in scrimmages this week.

In Monday's scrimmage session against Appalachian's second string, Parrish, Coe, Gabriel and Bill Furr turned on such a sparkling offense behind brilliant blocking of Bennett and company that the session ended with the freshmen leading 3-6.

But aside from all this, big Ted Reitzle remains the outstanding characterization of the Mountaineers with a keen eye peeled across the beautiful autumn landscape for something better than his little All-American acclaim of last year. In every contest he has sparked Appalachian's defense and offense in an individual style which outshines his play last season.

Meanwhile Henderson Baker and Ernie Safrit have been set up as chief threats against King's Hawkins and backfield combination. Baker's ball-carrying last Saturday was supplemented by a brand of tackling which choked Newberry's Collangelo, and Safrit featured some of his best driving and punt returning of the season. George Grier, junior regular, remains undoubtedly the best spinback on the club.

Another game in Boone next week will pit Appalachian's freshmen against the Catawba first yearmen in the college stadium, thus enabling a review of what these two North State conference teams may expect of each other next year.

Welch Reunion Held At Deep Gap Oct. 13

A host of relatives of the late W. F. Welch met Sunday, October 13, on a part of the old Welch plantation at Deep Gap to celebrate a reunion of the Welch family. Families from far and near came, happy to have an opportunity to mingle together and renew old acquaintances and numbers met for the first time. Many close friends of the family were present and after the crowd had visited together and conversed on various topics, a large table was prepared in front of the home of J. Frank Welch, and loaded with "good eats" from the well-filled baskets prepared for the occasion.

W. W. Welch of Deep Gap was elected president of the clan. Geo. Keller vice-president, and Lettie Triplett of Deep Gap, secretary-treasurer.

It is interesting to know that four generations of the Welch family were present: J. F. Welch, Deep Gap; James G. Welch, Mrs. J. C. Bostic and Jimmy Bostic, all of Lenoir.

The day was enjoyed by all present and the Welch family will hold their 1941 reunion on the third Sunday in September. It is hoped more members of the family may be present at that time.

MRS. LIONEL WARD ENDS OWN LIFE; FUNERAL TUESDAY

Resident of Oak Grove Neighborhood Fatally Shot; Didn't Remember What Happened; Former School Teacher and Religious Leader

Mrs. Lionel Ward, age 40 resident of the Oak Grove neighborhood, near Boone, died early Monday morning from the effects of a gunshot wound which it is believed was self-inflicted Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ward who had been in poor health and under a physician's care for the past several months, was found on a bed in her home a gunshot on the floor and a wound in the body just above the heart. When she regained consciousness she stated that she didn't remember what happened. Her health is believed to have prompted the suicide.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon from Oak Grove church with the pastor, Rev. G. A. Hamby in charge. Rev. F. C. Watts, Rev. J. C. Canipe and Rev. R. C. Eggers also took part in the rites, and interment was in the Hine cemetery.

Mrs. Ward was before her marriage Miss Birdie Ann Mast, daughter of Mr. John Mast and the late Mrs. Mast of Laurel Creek township. She received her education at Appalachian College and for four years taught in the public schools of the county. She had been a member of the Baptist church since she was eleven years old, and was the leader of the B. Y. P. U. and a Sunday school teacher at Oak Grove church at the time of her death. She was one of the most esteemed ladies of her neighborhood and her tragic death has occasioned deep sorrow.

Surviving are the husband, two sons and one daughter; Edna, Jack and John Ward. The aged father survives, together with one brother and three sisters; Chas. Ward, Rominger; Mrs. Nettie Trivett, Rominger; Mrs. Ida Harman, Valle Crucis; Mrs. Emma Hicks, Beaver Dam township.

Appalachian Tops Newberry, 9 to 7

Sparing for three quarters with both teams apparently evenly matched, Newberry and Appalachian broke loose in the last quarter on long passes Saturday, but it was Henderson Baker's field goal in the final minutes that gave the Mountaineers a 9-7 victory.

The Appalachian Mountaineers scored first when Arkie Felton's left-handed spiral from the 30 was taken by Eddie Johnson in the end zone. Ernie Safrit and George Grier had set up the play from mid-field with a couple of line plunges good for first downs, despite a 15-yard penalty. Baker's placement try failed.

Appalachian's kickoff found Newberry trying to move from its 23, but Craxton pulled down a high pass from Quarterback Collangelo and without breaking his stride raced 76 yards to score for the Indians. Collangelo's placekick left the Mountaineers trailing, 7-5.

With five minutes to go, Grier took Newberry's short kick on his own 23 and pulled up on the mid-stripe. A reverse, Safrit to Baker, and a strong plunge by Grier placed the ball on Newberry's 20, but four attempts found Appalachian two inches short of a first down and Newberry took over. Several tries by Collangelo produced no gain for the South Carolinians and Safrit took Collangelo's kick on the 35 to set the stage for Appalachian's winning counter. Grier followed Safrit's short pass to Johnson by plowing into Newberry's 35. Another aerial, Safrit to Baker, put the ball on Newberry's 10, from where Baker kicked the winning field goal.

MRS. J. L. NORRIS DIES AT FLORIDA HOME

Mrs. J. L. Norris, aged 63, daughter of the late Hamp Clawson of Meat Camp township, died at the home in La Crosse, Florida, last Friday and funeral services were conducted in that city Sunday afternoon.

Among those from Watauga county attending the rites were Grant Greene, J. H. Greene, Hamp Clawson, Wade Clawson and John Ragan.

Surviving are the husband and four sons and daughters: Hamp, Tatam, Delphia Mae and Malon Norris, all of La Crosse. Two brothers and two sisters also survive: John Clawson, Boone Route 2; Asa Clawson, Todd; Mrs. Lee Greene, Laxon, and Mrs. C. M. Blackburn, Todd.

MILL DOING GOOD BUSINESS

Mr. C. E. Anderson owner of the Boone Milling Company plant which recently began operation here, states that business is good and that the demand for the corn meal and feed being manufactured is so great that of late it has been necessary to operate a night shift. Attention is directed to an advertisement for the milling company appearing in The Democrat today.

AIR RAID VICTIM IN BERLIN



Berlin.—In the present retaliatory war tactics, both Berlin and London are receiving their share of aerial bombardment. Here, after a night rain on northwest Berlin, a victim is removed from a bomb-shattered building.

Merchants To Close For Football Tilt

Mrs. Ruby Ellis, secretary of the Boone Merchants Association, has contacted the member stores, in an effort to have a holiday observed Friday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock, during the football game between Appalachian and King Colleges.

The majority of the retail establishments desiring to cooperate fully with the college, indicated their intention of being closed for the grid tilt, and customers should take care of their shopping in advance so as to prevent inconvenience.

Tobacco Grading Demonstrations To Be Held in County

There will be two burley tobacco grading demonstrations in Watauga county this season. These demonstrations will be held under the auspices of L. T. Weeks, extension tobacco specialist, and the grading will be done by a United States department of agriculture tobacco grader.

The first demonstration will be held at Arlie Hodges' farm at Valle Crucis, on Tuesday afternoon, October 23, at 2 o'clock. The second demonstration will be at Victor Ward's store in Laurel Creek township, on Wednesday morning, October 30, at 9:30 o'clock.

All burley tobacco growers in the county are invited to attend these grading demonstrations and bring a few stalks of tobacco to be graded.

More Than 500 Blood Specimens Are Taken

The response on registration day brought in more than 25 per cent of the registrants to have specimens of their blood taken, Dr. Robert R. King said yesterday. The local clinic is taken care of by the doctors of Jefferson that day.

Those who were unable to get to the clinic on the 16th will be taken care of on Wednesday, the 12th, or the 30th, on both of which days the clinic will be open.

These clinics are conducted over the entire nation and the demand for the necessary containers found the manufacturers unprepared. The health department hopes to have enough on hand to take care of the work on the remaining clinic days.

Local Youth Is Honored at College

In an election held recently at Appalachian College the junior class elected James Storie to the position of vice-president, the local youth winning the honor on the first ballot over five candidates.

Mr. Storie is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Storie of this city, and has made a remarkable collegiate record. He is at the same time a leader in the work of the Baptist church in this city. He is occupying one of the most important class official positions on the campus. The president and vice-president collaborate in planning the junior-senior banquet given in the spring.

BUYS REGISTERED HOLSTEIN

Brattleboro, Vt., Oct. 18.—The Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, bought one registered Holstein-Friesian cow at the Virginia State Holstein consignment sale held at Orange, Va., October 10. This cow is Oakmulgee Clarice Ormsby, consigned by C. Moyer of Mattoax, Va.

There were 63 cattle sold at an average \$233.33 which is to date, and probably will be for this year, the country's highest average for any state breeder sale. The 57 female averaged \$243.77 a head and the six male entries, \$134.17. There were 26 buyers, 17 of whom bought more than one. The largest single buyer was R. L. May of Alexandria, Va., who bought eight head. Buyers came from Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, West Virginia and Puerto Rico.

HOWELL IS NAMED CHAIRMAN LOCAL DRAFT COMMITTEE

Board Organized Monday; J. E. Clay is Clerk; D. B. Bingham Fills Place Vacated by T. L. Mast; Mrs. Lovill is Secretary

The Watauga county draft board, recently appointed by Governor Hoey to take care of the details in connection with conscription in connection with the federal defense program, held its initial meeting Monday afternoon and organized by electing V. C. Howell chairman of the board, and J. E. Clay clerk.

D. B. Bingham, the third member of the board, was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of T. L. Mast, who found it unwise for him to serve due to his impaired health. Mrs. W. R. Lovill is aiding in the capacity of secretary, without remuneration it was stated by Chairman Howell.

The registration cards have been turned over to the draft board, and after all the cards have been given serial numbers, they will be sent to Washington to be drawn according to the number of men to be called for the 12 months of military training. The first drawing is expected to be on October 29 for call about the middle of November, unless the record number of volunteers makes this call unnecessary.

After numbers are drawn the men will receive questionnaires to be filled out and the information thereon will determine the classification of the men. There will be four classes; men eligible for service, deferred because of occupation, deferred on account of dependents, and a fourth class exempted by reason of not being qualified to serve, according to the selective service act.

Draft Boards Meet In Wilkes Friday

Draft board members of ten northwestern North Carolina counties including Watauga, have been notified to attend a conference to be held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Friday, October 25, 10:30 a. m. General J. Van B. Melts, head of selective service in the state, sent out the notices.

Draft board members, attorneys and physicians appointed to serve with the boards and board clerks are asked to attend.

At the meeting, it is said, definite instructions relative to duties and responsibilities of local draft boards will be outlined.

Tourist Homes Asked To Aid in Publicity

Cards have been mailed to all tourist homes in this community by the Chamber of Commerce asking that they donate whatever they can toward payment of the costs of the new publicity folder being prepared for this city. It is felt that the new publicity will bring additional tourists to the town, and that the tourist homes and cafes will reap immediate benefits.

Mr. H. W. Wilcox, president of the Chamber of Commerce, is anxious that the money be available before the folders are ordered. All those who will aid in this community movement should send their contributions to either S. C. Eggers or Richard E. Kelley.

Those contributing this week are: Northwestern Bank \$10, Watauga Building and Loan Association \$5, New River Light and Power Co., \$10, Watauga Motor Co. \$1, Mrs. W. H. Gragg \$2, Boone Steam Laundry \$5, Guv Hunt \$1, Rivets Printing Co. \$5.

The secretary will record the name of each tourist home that contributes for future reference, so he might make ready reference to the list, when answering inquiries as to tourist homes.

Red Cross Meeting To Name Officers

There will be a Red Cross meeting at the courthouse Monday evening at 7:30 for the purpose of naming a new slate of officers for the Watauga chapter, and to make plans for the coming roll call campaign. All leaders of the Red Cross in the community, together with the general public, are cordially invited to attend.

Proclamation

Realizing the fullest co-operation always of the city of Boone with the Appalachian State Teachers College, it is the earnest desire of the undersigned that the merchants and business men in the city of Boone cooperate with said college by closing their stores, offices and other places of business promptly at 3 o'clock Friday, October 25, 1940.

It is our earnest desire that we give the business people who are our strongest friends and supporters an opportunity to see and enjoy a football game to be played at the college stadium between the Mountaineers and King College on said date and we wish for them the fullest measure of enjoyment.

W. H. LOVILL,
Mayor of Boone.

WATAUGANS WIN AT STATE FAIR

County Farmers Again Receive Prizes in Many Livestock Divisions at Raleigh

Watauga farmers and 4-H Club boys once more won a large share of honors and prize money in the livestock divisions at the recent state fair. This year Watauga was represented in more livestock divisions than ever before—beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep and swine. The beef cattle division was represented by entries from Shipley farm and 4-H boys, the dairy cattle and swine divisions by entries from Appalachian College, and the sheep division by entries from Shipley farm and Wilson Norris.

4-H Club Winnings
A greater number of baby beeves were exhibited from different sections of the state this year and competition was much stronger than at any preceding North Carolina state fair.

Eleven baby beeves and three feeder calves were exhibited by Watauga 4-H Club boys and the placings were as follows:

Baby beef light weight class: Cyrus Greene, Deep Gap, 4th; Earl Greene, Meat Camp, 8th and 10th; Baker Edmisten, Beaver Dam, 9th.
Medium weight class: Mack Greene, Mabel, 2nd; Gilbert Edmisten, Sugar Grove, 6th; Billy Farthing, Beaver Dam, 9th; Scott Moretz, Deep Gap, 11th.

Heavy weight class: Council Henson, Vilas, 2nd; Earl Edmisten, Sugar Grovs, 3rd; Asa Reese, Jr., Beaver Dam, 8th.

County Group
This class consisted of three baby beeves from each county and Watauga won first place.

Get of Sire
This class consisted of three baby beeves from a purebred sire in the county from which they were exhibited. Watauga won second place.

Hereford Group
This class consisted of three Hereford baby beeves from each county. Watauga was first.

Showmanship
Earl Edmisten of Sugar Grove, won first place in this division. This year the grand champion baby beef was an Aberdeen-Angus calf and was exhibited by a 4-H Club boy from Iredell county. The reserve champion was also an Aberdeen-Angus calf and was exhibited by a club member from Cherokee county.

The grand champion was by 200 lbs. baby beef ever exhibited in the state.

All 4-H Club baby beeves placing fifth or above in one of the preceding classes were eligible to compete in the open classes. There were three open classes for baby beeves in which 4-H boys, students of vocational agriculture and farmers could compete. Placings for Watauga 4-H members in these classes were as follows:

Lightweight open class: Cyrus Greene, Deep Gap, 4th.

Medium weight open class: Mack Greene, 2nd.

Heavyweight open class: Council Henson, 2nd; Earl Edmisten, 3rd.

Feeder class: Clint Ward, Valle Crucis, 2nd; Gene Reese, Vilas, 4th; Council Henson, Vilas, 7th.

The total amount of prize money won by the Watauga 4-H Club exhibitors was \$295.75. The 11 baby beeves weighed a total of 9,275 pounds and were sold at auction for \$1,386.01, or an average of approximately 15 cents per pound. The three 4-H feeder calves and three other feeders exhibited by Tom Lawrence and Wiley Perry weighed 2,925 pounds and were sold for

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