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THEATRE SEEKS TOYS FOR NEEDY ON THANKSGIVING

Local Newspaper and Other Community Enterprises Co-operate With Appalachian Theatre in its Effort to Bring Cheer to Underprivileged

The Appalachian Theatre is giving its second annual broken toy matinee next Thursday (Thanksgiving) morning at 10 o'clock. Purpose of this show is to collect all possible broken toys which will be repaired and distributed to the underprivileged and needy children of the town and county just before Christmas.

The only requirement for admission to this special matinee will be one or more broken or discarded toys. These will be repaired by the local NYA, in co-operation with the Boone fire department, and will be distributed at a Christmas party to be given later. If anyone wishes to contribute toys for this purpose and is unable to attend the broken toy matinee, they may be left at the Appalachian Theatre, Watauga Democrat office, or the local NYA office. Also, anyone preferring to give a silver offering as admission to see the show may do so and the money thus raised will be used in the purchase of toys or confections. The program presented will be one of interest to children and they are urged to attend and bring their broken or discarded toys.

Last year's matinee was highly successful and many toys were collected, which were subsequently put into perfect condition by the co-operating organizations. It is hoped that this year's campaign for toys and funds will be even more successful and that all those children who, through no fault of their own, receive little around Christmas time, may be afforded some of the pleasures of the season enjoyed by their more fortunate neighbors.

The management of the theatre is grateful to the following for their offers to co-operate in this year's campaign to make this a bigger and better party: The Watauga Democrat, which is running all notices and announcements necessary to the success of the undertaking absolutely free of charge; the Boone Lions Club, which has offered to co-operate in arranging for an interesting program to be presented in connection with the distribution of the gifts at the Christmas party; the Boone fire department; and Mrs. Clara Simpson, local head of the co-operating division of the NYA; and Miss Marguerite Miller and the Watauga county welfare department. Anyone else wishing to co-operate in any way to further the success of this year's party, please contact C. H. Trotter, manager of the Appalachian Theatre.

THANKSGIVING BE CELEBRATED 28TH

Merchants Association to Close Stores in Accordance With Governor's Proclamation

Stores and most other business places of the city will observe Thanksgiving Thursday, November 28th, in accordance with the proclamation of Governor Hoyer, while the postoffice employees are expected to observe the national holiday as proclaimed by the President, tomorrow. The people of the community and county are asked to bear in mind the closing of the stores, and take care of their necessary shopping on next Wednesday so that they may not be inconvenienced by the holiday of the retailers.

Mrs. Martha Ashley Passes at Age of 65

Mrs. Martha Hampton Ashley, well-known citizen of Blowing Rock, R. F. D., died at the home last Saturday from a heart attack, and funeral services were conducted Monday morning from Middle Fork Baptist church by Reverends Grady Minton and Robert Shore, interment being in the nearby cemetery.

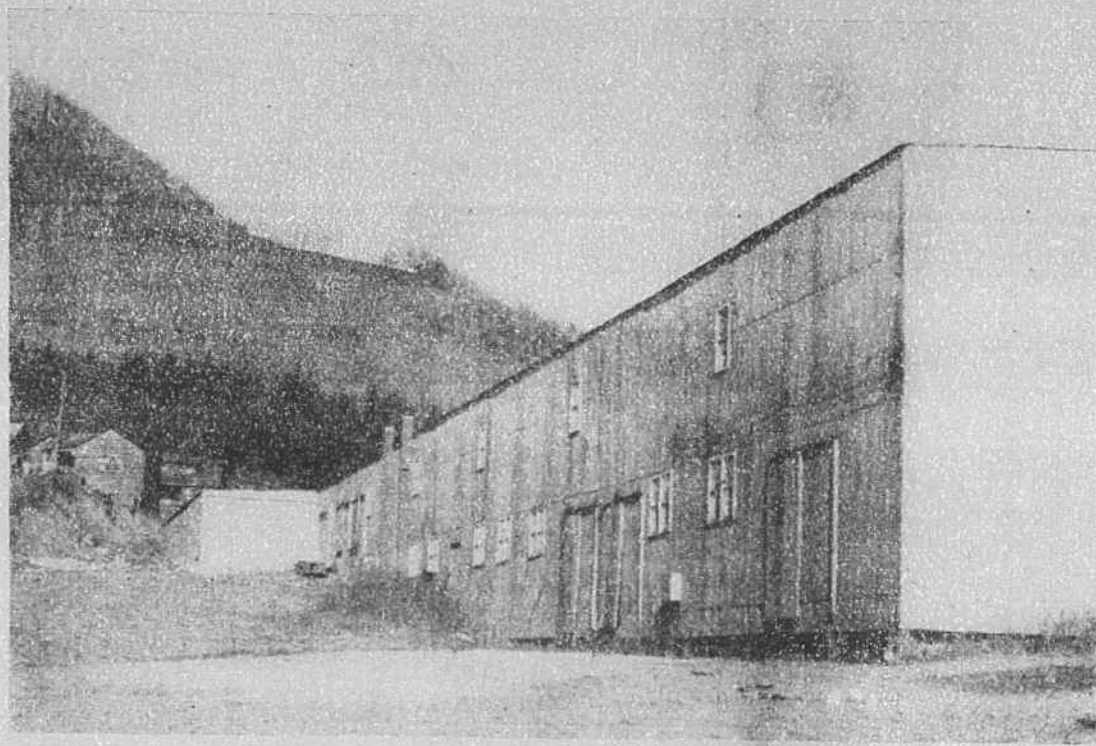
Surviving are the husband, Mr. J. C. Ashley, and the following sons and daughters: Joe Ashley, Boone; Allen Ashley, Ray Ashley, Perry and Neil Ashley, Blowing Rock; Mrs. Maude Wheeler, Blowing Rock; Miss Faye Ashley, Miami Beach, Fla.; and Mrs. Grace Ingram, New York City.

Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: Arkie Hampton, Spencer Hampton, Walter Hampton, Lindley Hampton, Russell Hampton, Augusta Hampton, Blowing Rock; Mrs. Ruby Storie, Shulls Mills; Mrs. Joe Wheeler, Triplett; Mrs. Weyman Johnson, Elizabethton, Tenn.

AMATEUR PROGRAM AT MABEL SCHOOL

Due to the bad weather on Friday night, November 15th, the amateur program at Mabel school was postponed until Saturday night, November 23. The public is cordially invited. Prizes will be given to the best contestants. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

MOUNTAIN BURLEY WAREHOUSE OPENS MONDAY



View of the Mountain Burley warehouses in Boone, showing a side view of the original building and the entrance to the second section in the distance. Both floors now cover about two acres, approximately double the capacity of last year. Tobacco will be received here beginning next Monday. (Photo by Weston)

BROUGHTON GOT LARGE MAJORITY

Governor-Elect Received Record-Breaking Vote Over R. H. McNeill

Governor-Elect J. M. Broughton rolled up a record-breaking Democratic majority of about 413,000 votes in the general election and President Roosevelt carried the state by a record presidential majority of about 395,000.

The state's total vote of about 823,000 will fall some 16,000 below the record 839,424 of 1936, it seemed. The Associated Press compiled unofficial returns last week from 1,913 of the state's 1916 precincts, getting county official returns from the state elections board for 99 counties for President and for 93 counties for governor. Unofficial figures were available for all except three precincts in the Republican county of Mitchell.

Broughton's 608,604 votes in 1913 precincts set a new record for total gubernatorial vote, and his majority was 413,682 in them as Robert H. McNeill, the Republican gubernatorial candidate, got 194,922. It seemed that about 1,000 votes remained to be reported from Mitchell county. Four years ago Governor Hoyer got 542,139 votes and Gilliam Grissom received 270,843, a Democratic majority of 271,296.

In the 1913 precincts President Roosevelt led Broughton by 200 votes with a total of 608,824, and a majority of 395,684 over the 213,146 cast for Wendell Willkie. Four years ago President Roosevelt got 616,141 in the state, and Alf M. Landon received 223,283.

Some voters split their presidential and vice presidential tickets but state officials said that the highest vote in each county for either President or vice president would probably be counted as the official vote for the county, as in reality voters were balloting for presidential electors and not for individual candidates. There were four counties in which Henry A. Wallace got more votes than President Roosevelt and eight counties in which Charles L. McNary received more than Willkie.

Write-in votes which were worthless, as there were no electors filed for the parties or men, gave one vote to Walter F. George for President, one to Gifford Pinchot for President, 13 to Norman Thomas for President, one to Cordell Hull for President, five to Roger Babson for President, three to Earl Browder for President, three to James W. Ford for vice president, and five to Maynard Kreuger for vice president.

New Books Received At County Library

Miss Jewel Hagaman, librarian, states that 275 new volumes have been added to the county library, and invites the people of the county to enjoy the new books.

She says that many of these new volumes carry an especial appeal to children, and asks the teachers of the county to take note of this fact.

CHICKEN SUPPER TONIGHT AT COVE CREEK SCHOOL

There will be a chicken and oyster supper in the Cove Creek lunch room tonight (Thursday). The event, planned by Mrs. S. F. Horton, Miss Jennie Love and Mrs. Phillip Fletcher, has become an annual source of funds for the band and dramatic club. Plates containing chicken and accessories and trimmings in abundance will be served for only 25c each. Immediately after the supper, the film, "Fit for a King," will be shown in the auditorium.

Rev. Canipe Honored



REV. J. C. CANIPE

REV. CANIPE HEADS BAPTIST GROUP

Local Minister Named as President of the Baptist State Preachers' Conference

Rev. J. C. Canipe, pastor of the Boone Baptist church, was elected president of the Baptist State Pastors' conference at a meeting held in Charlotte Monday evening, on the eve of the opening of the sessions of the Baptist State convention.

Other officers elected were: Rev. E. R. Steward of Fairfield vice-president, and Dr. O. R. Mangum of Lenoir, secretary.

The pastors discussed the co-operative program of the churches, and were addressed by Dr. Thurman Kitchin, president of Wake Forest College; Dr. Kyle M. Yates, professor in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and Dr. W. W. Hamilton of New Orleans, president of the Southern Baptist convention.

The convention is scheduled to close Thursday morning.

Mary Elizabeth Hodges Succumbs on Tuesday

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hodges, aged 83 years, died at the home of a son, Mr. B. F. Hodges, at Adams Tuesday, after a long period of ill health, which had been critical for the past two or three weeks.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Oak Grove Baptist church Thursday morning at 10 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. G. A. Hamby, who will be assisted in the rites by Rev. E. F. Troutman, pastor of the Grace Lutheran church in Boone. Interment will be in the Hine cemetery.

Surviving are two sons and four daughters: B. F. Hodges and P. H. Hodges of Adams; Mrs. Will Lyons, Mrs. R. W. Keller, Mrs. Chloe Love of Boone, and Mrs. Jake Hartley of Linville. One sister, Mrs. Mattie Toppings of Boone, also survives, together with 18 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hodges was the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Wyke, and was reared in Watauga county, where she was held in high regard by a large number of friends throughout the area.

Tecumseh, famous Indian chief, was made a brigadier-general in the British army during the war of 1812.

BURLEY VOTE WILL BE HELD SATURDAY

Tobacco Growers in Burley Belt Will Ballot on Quotas for One and Three Years

Burley tobacco growers of Watauga and 23 other counties in North Carolina will vote Saturday in a marketing quota referendum. They will decide between three questions: (1) Do you favor quotas for three years? (2) are you opposed to quotas for three years, but in favor of quotas for one year? and (3) Are you opposed to quotas?

The three-year quota plan, proposed by farmers and provided for by the congress in an amendment to the agricultural adjustment act, was approved by blue-cured tobacco growers in their referendum last July by a vote of 6 to 1.

There are 13,750 farmers in North Carolina eligible to vote in the Burley referendum. Burley is grown in the following 24 counties: Albemarle, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Davidson, Davie, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, McDowell, Madison, Madison, Mitchell, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Wilkes, Watauga and Yancey.

Referenda will be held in 14 other states at the same time, and the decision will be on a national basis. Quotas for 1940 were approved last fall by 83.3 per cent of those voting. Two-thirds of those voting must approve quotas for them to be effective.

Agricultural leaders have said that three-year quotas will enable Burley prices to be maintained at a higher level than if one-year quotas are voted. Also, 1941 allotments will not be reduced from 1940 allotments if three-year quotas are approved; whereas, a 30 per cent reduction from the 1940 level will be necessary if one-year quotas are voted.

The amendments passed by the congress provide that if three-year quotas are approved, no 1940 allotment of more than one acre may be reduced by more than 10 per cent at any time during the three-year period, and no 1940 allotment of less than one acre may be reduced at all during the three-year period.

John Phillips Dies In Florida Hospital

John C. Phillips, aged 45, resident of Beaver Dam township and a veteran of the World War, died in a government hospital in Bay Pines, Fla., on November 1, where he had been taking treatment for some time.

The body was brought back to Watauga county for interment but funeral details are not available.

CONGRESS VOTES TO REMAIN IN SESSION

Washington, Nov. 20.—The house refused to end this session of congress yesterday, voting by a 191 to 148 vote a feeling that so long as the foreign crisis continues congress should stay on the job.

By its action it upset the plans of Democratic leaders, who brought up the adjournment resolution. The leaders thus were presented with an outright defeat on the first test of their strength since the election of two weeks ago.

The reverse was caused by the defection of 44 Democrats. These, including particularly Democrats from the west, combined their votes with those of a solid Republican minority to block the adjournment move.

Local Market to Receive First Tobacco Monday

POLLING PLACES FOR BURLEY VOTE

Following are the places where the tobacco growers in the different townships of the county will cast their vote next Saturday on the quota system of production:

- Cove Creek—James Mast's store.
- Laurel Creek—V. D. Ward's store.
- Boone—Vilas Service station.
- Watauga and Shawneehaw—R. A. Olsen's store.
- North Fork—A. N. Thomas' home.
- Meat Camp, Bald Mountain, Stony Fork, Blue Ridge at county agent's office.

The polls will open at 9 a. m. and close at 5:30. Tobacco growers of the county are urged to go to their polling place and cast their ballot on one side or the other of the important question.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL UNDER WAY

Response in Watauga Membership Campaign Generous; The Members

The Red Cross Roll call campaign which got under way on Armistice Day and which will continue until Thanksgiving, is meeting with the usual generous response from Watauga county people, says Mrs. W. M. Matheson, roll call chairman, who has already received reports from some of the canvassers in the city. Following are the memberships thus far reported:

Mrs. Geo. C. Greene, Thelma Ragan, Prince Powell, A. S. T. C. Book Store, Ralph Estes, Mrs. E. S. Christenbury, Mrs. Douglas R. Redmond, Mrs. Grace Boyd, Prof. J. A. Williams, Mrs. R. B. Page, Mrs. Floy Mast, Mrs. D. J. Cottrell, Rev. J. C. Canipe, L. L. Critcher, Mrs. Albert Watson, Mrs. Lionel Watson, Mrs. Frank Greene, Mrs. Reka Shoemaker, Mrs. J. O. Cooke, Mrs. Mrs. Raleigh Cottrell, Kelly G. Miles, Ruby Kate Wilson, Miss Lena Pennick, Mrs. Conrad Moore, Mrs. D. E. Benfield, Ben Watson.

Oliver Karraker, Graydon Eggers, Miss Molly Tabor, Miss Ina Bassett, Miss L. Tyler, Miss Clyde Goodman, Mrs. Cullen Johnson, Miss Cleon Haynes, Mrs. Emma Moore, Miss Natalie Purdon, Miss Meta Liles, Dr. Constance Burrows, Miss Rena Donnell, Miss Billie Todd, Edward Roberts, Bill Cole, Kenneth Iverson, Julian C. Yoder, Dr. Orby Southard, Ida Belle Ledbetter, Rachel Masten, Mariar. Lison, Althea Austin, Glada Walker, Ella Austin, Myrtle Brandon, Billie Hapgood, Louise Atkinson, Lucy Brock, Leonard Eury, Louise Moore, Antonius Antonakos.

Mrs. J. I. Thomas, G. P. Hagaman, Bernice Gragg, Dr. J. C. Farthing, Boone Trail Cafe, Will C. Walker, D. L. Wilcox, Stewart Winkler, R. C. Rivers, Wilcox Isaacs, John W. Hodges, H. Clyde R. Greene, W. C. Greer, Mack Greer, Edith Teams, E. A. Gaultney, John W. Hodges, Sr., Frank Payne, Paul Coffey, R. L. Waddell, W. H. Gragg, T. E. Bingham, R. L. Bingham, Howard Shore.

Mrs. J. W. Norris, Miss Floy Hodges, Mrs. F. A. Linney, Miss Jennie Coffey, Sam Atkins, Harrison Chevrolet Co., Wade E. Brown, Mrs. Wade E. Brown, Mrs. R. L. Clay, S. F. Moser, Mrs. Ruth McConnell, High Land Furniture Co., Herman Wilcox, W. E. Anderson, J. F. Sherrill, Lorane F. Miller.

TEACHERS HOLD NOVEMBER MEET

The Watauga unit of the North Carolina Education Association held its regular meeting on last Saturday at 10 a. m. in the library of the Boone high school. In spite of the low temperature and slick roads the meeting was well attended.

Mr. Dale Norris, president of the association, presided. At the meeting the following program was rendered:

- "Teacher Tenure in Illinois," Miss Dorothy Gray.
- "Teacher Tenure in California," Dr. Burrows.
- "Increase in Salaries," Mr. W. W. Williams.
- "Retirement Bill in N. C.," Mr. A. Frank Hamrick.
- "Sale of Christmas Stamps to Eradicate Tuberculosis," Dr. Page of Winston-Salem.

The outline of study for the present school year consists of the following:

- Advisory council and legislative committee.
- Public relations committee.
- Professional relations committee.
- Teachers' welfare committee.
- Committee on school-community programs.
- Defense program in school.

The next meeting of the Watauga unit will be held on December 14. At that time there will be a discussion on the subject, "Does Our Curriculum Meet the Needs of the Community?"

INTENSIVE DRIVE IS BEING MADE FOR NEW BURLEY MART

Series of Motorcades Being Conducted Throughout Burley-Growing Area in Effort to Publicize Market; Three Million Pounds Visualized

The Mountain Burley Warehouse announces that it will open its doors next Monday for the receipt of tobacco, and it is believed that the official opening of the selling season will be on December 4th.

Meantime Messrs. Jones and Coleman, lessees of the two local houses, and leading business men and civic groups are co-operating in a widespread publicity program, designed to greatly increase the leaf sales above those of last season.

Tomorrow 30 or 40 automobiles leave for a tour of Ashe and Alleghany counties and Grayson county, Va., carrying the Appalachian high school band, a sound truck and number of leading citizens of this community. Valuable free prizes will be given away at each stop and special inducements offered to burley growers to bring their leaf to the Boone market. The motorcade leaves Boone promptly at 8 o'clock Friday morning and all Wataugans are urged to join the caravan. Those who do not have transportation will be accommodated so far as possible. The group will be at the Jefferson courthouse from 9 to 11 a. m.; Sparta courthouse 12 to 1 p. m.; and at Independence, Va., from 1:30 to 2:30.

Next Tuesday, warehousemen and local promoters, with the local band, will journey into Johnson county for tobacco rallies. A meeting will be held at Neva at 10 a. m.; Butler at 11 a. m.; Doe 12 m.; Doe Valley 1 p. m.; Mountain City, 2 p. m.; Laurel Bloomingry, 3:30, and at Trade, 4:30.

On Wednesday the group leaves Boone at 8 o'clock a. m., holds a meeting at Heaton, Avery county, at 9 o'clock; Elk Park 9:30; Bakersville at 11 and Burnsville at 2 p. m.

Band music, short speeches, the giving away of gifts of valuable merchandise and mixing with the farmers will constitute the meetings.

Preliminary surveys of the burley growing region indicates that about three million pounds of tobacco should reach the local floors this year, a fifty per cent increase over last year. The second warehouse has been completed, and the floor now covers approximately two acres.

Plans are going forward for a gala opening of the market. Merchants plan to have the Christmas lights turned on in the shopping district on that date, and the usual Christmas program will be rendered. However, details of the opening cannot be completed before the first of the week.

WATAUGA ASKED FOR 2 DRAFTEES

December Quota Expected to Be Filled by Those Volunteering for Service

Watauga county was asked to furnish two white men for one year's military training for its share of the first call for manpower under the military conscription act, states Mrs. W. R. Lovell, secretary to the Watauga county draft board.

Pending further advice, however, the local board does not believe there will be a conscription of the two men at this time, since seven of the registrants have already volunteered for the one year's military training, and two have enlisted for the full three years. Under the system, it is explained, each county gets credit for the men volunteering for training against its draft quota.

Meantime work is steadily going forward on mailing out questionnaires to the registrants, and classifying the prospective soldiers. Two hundred and two questionnaires have been mailed and large numbers of the blanks have been returned and the classifications completed, it is said.

Christmas Seal Sale to Begin Soon

The sale of the tuberculosis association Christmas seals is to start soon, and Mrs. G. K. Moore, chairman of the local committee, is anxious that every letter and card mailed in the county between now and Christmas carry one of the little health stickers.

The county will be organized as usual for the sale of the seals and it is hoped there will be a good response this year on the part of local citizens.