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HOME COMING DAY EXERCISES START FRIDAY EVENING

Giant Bonfire and Pep Meeting to Launch Annual Autumn Event at Appalachian College; the Complete Program of Activities Given

By CHLOE GREER

Homecoming at Appalachian College will officially begin Friday evening at 6:45 with a giant bonfire and pep meeting on the lower athletic field for students, faculty and alumni complete with the college and high school bands and cheerleaders. Townspeople are invited to attend.

At 8:30 the regular feature of the College Playcrafters will be presented, "Charley's Aunt," a play in three acts with all student cast. This is Appalachian's version of the Broadway stage production and the movie which has just been released starring Jack Benny in the leading role. Mr. Antonakos, director of the Playcrafters organization, states that the leading man will give Mr. Benny some good competition.

Saturday morning from 10 to 10:30 there will be a band concert on the campus under the direction of Mr. Gordon Nash, both college and high school bands participating.

At 10:30 the alumni and students will be entertained in the college auditorium by Oscar Coe of Atlanta, Ga., noted humorist. For three years Mr. Coe played in the Little Theatre in Chicago, and for the last few years he has specialized in appearing before civic clubs, state and national conventions as an entertainer with such a degree of success that he has had many repeat engagements before the same clubs. When he reads a prose story or poem he re-enacts the characters portrayed with unique artistry. His selections are all high class, clean and humorous.

From 11:30 to 12 there will be a meeting of the Alumni Association at which time officers for the coming year will be elected.

At 2 p. m., the football game with King College will begin. This is for many alumni the most interesting and exciting event of the homecoming program, and it promises to be especially so this year since King is out to seek revenge for their defeat at the hands of the Appalachian Mountaineers last season.

King was leading last year at the half time 3-0 by virtue of Kursavage's field goal. Kursavage again will lead King into battle against the local boys, but King this year has a much faster and better ball club which defeated Catawba last week 14-6. Catawba is rated the best ball club in the conference this year. King has two fine ball carriers in La Vanche and Quillen. The game may be decided on a field goal. Appalachian has Robinson, a big 235-pound freshman, and Captain Watts to pit against King's Kursavage. The home team must be at their best to win; and it will give Appalachian supporters an idea of the relative strength of the 1941 edition of the Mountaineers. At the half there will be a very colorful exhibition by the twirlers and band with new and unusual formations.

Again at 8:30 Saturday evening there will be a repeat performance of "Charley's Aunt" for the benefit of those who were unable to see the play Friday evening.

There will be the usual displays and exhibits on the campus all day Saturday. These, always very clever and interesting, promise to be even more so this year. All alumni, friends and interested patrons of the college are invited to attend all homecoming festivities.

Loses \$62.50 By Failing To Be In Boone Last Week

Mr. A. R. Stevens lost exactly \$62.50 by not being in Boone for the Appreciation Day program last Wednesday evening, states Mrs. Ruby P. Ellis, secretary of the Boone Merchants Association, who states that interest in the weekly awards is growing rapidly. Mr. Stevens' award could not be made in his absence.

Miss Mabel Norris would have received \$50 had she been present, W. F. Burgess \$37.50, while Rev. E. F. Troutman or Mrs. H. C. Houck would have received \$12.50. Carolyn Miller, Margaret English and Rufus Grider passed up a \$6.25 award.

Edwin Dougherty received \$12.50 and was present for the award.

The Appreciation Day awards are made each Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 at the city hall, and the participating merchants, whose names appear in an ad in The Democrat today, urge customers to be on hand with their trade coupons each week and share in the gifts which are being made. Either of the stores will give full details of the unusual and exciting event, which provides plenty of fun for all.

Holston Presbytery Will Convene Here

The Presbytery of Holston will convene Monday evening at 7:30 in the James I. Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church, according to an announcement made by the pastor, Rev. John I. Rhea.

About 75 delegates, ministers and elders from churches in Western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee are expected to attend this church court.

On Monday evening at 7:30, Rev. D. F. Waddell, retiring moderator, will preach the opening sermon. At 11 o'clock on Tuesday the Presbyterian sermon will be delivered by the Rev. A. R. Craig, pastor of the Spruce Pine Presbyterian Church.

The public is cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

FIVE ARE CALLED TO THE SERVICE

Current Quota of Men Under the Draft Law to Report for Induction October 6

Five Watauga county men have been selected by the local selective service board for induction into the United States Army at Fort Bragg. The men selected are required to appear at the offices of the local board on October 6 at 6:45 a. m., eastern standard time, whereupon they will be sent immediately to Fort Bragg.

Those making up the current quota are: Spencer Martin Trivette, R. F. D. 1, Blowing Rock; Richard Ernest Gragg, Blowing Rock; Chas. Blaco Miller, Laxon; William Donald Triplett, R. F. D., Blowing Rock; Orin Henry Stanberry, Boone.

All Dressed Up!

When Appalachian steps out on the football field against King College at Boone Homecoming Saturday afternoon, some 4,000 fans will see the Mountaineers really dressed up. The players have new uniforms and so do the forty college band members and sixty co-ed baton twirlers.

bright young man to increase his pay seven times during his first enlistment and he can earn as much as \$126 a month. This monthly figure is actually worth much more when it is remembered that the man has few living expenses and is provided with the finest of medical and dental care.

"You have all your food and lodging, and also your original clothing outfit is provided by Uncle Sam free," Mr. Rivers continued. "In addition, there are free sports and entertainment. On top of this, you get free travel and adventure in colorful places—a thing few civilians can afford.

"When you consider the size of this country and the fact that the navy will select only 12,000 applicants a month, many times that number throughout the United States.

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GRAND CHAMPION HEREFORD STEER



Max Vannoy, right, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Vannoy, proudly exhibiting his 796-pound Hereford calf, which took grand championship honors at the Hendersonville Fair last week. Shown also is Harry Hamilton, Watauga county farm agent, whose work with the 4-H boys in this county has resulted in local Herefords winning the grand championship at the Western Carolina Fair for five successive years.

INSTITUTE TO BE HELD BY RED CROSS

Special Representative of A.R.C. to Preside Over Disaster Institute

Mrs. Rita G. MacDonald, special Red Cross representative, will conduct a disaster institute with the Watauga Red Cross chapter at Appalachian College Friday, October 10th, with sessions at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

At the afternoon session all chapter officials are to be present to be schooled in taking care of disasters, in the evening this group will be joined by all co-operating agencies, members of the city and county government, and all others concerned in the efforts of the local chapter along the lines of disaster relief. More detailed information concerning the institute will be released next week.

In her long association with the American Red Cross, Mrs. MacDonald has become one of the organization's most experienced disaster workers. She has worked in every major disaster in eastern United States for the past eight years and prior to that served as a case worker in the Southeastern Pennsylvania chapter at Philadelphia.

Her disaster experience includes the spring floods of 1936 in Pennsylvania, the Ohio-Mississippi valley flood of 1937, New England hurricane of 1938, Sesquehanna valley floods in 1940, and many lesser disasters.

She has been attached to the national disaster staff since 1939. A native of Philadelphia, Mrs. MacDonald was educated in the public schools of that city, later attending the Philadelphia School of Social and Health Work and Temple University.

The Tavern Reopens By Judicial Decree

The Tavern, roadhouse at Vilas, which was closed recently by a restraining order signed by Judge J. H. Clement, was reopened Tuesday through the authority of a special order dissolving the original document, signed in North Wilkesboro by Judge J. A. Rousseau.

Judge Rousseau ruled that the restraining order could not be made permanent on general nuisance charges, and that according to his interpretation of the law, specific instances of violating state laws, such as selling liquor or gambling, would have to be shown the court. The charges against the Tavern, it is understood, did not point out such specific instances of law violation.

Montezuma, the Aztec ruler of Mexico, is reputed to have been so fond of vanilla he drank as many as 50 pitchers a day of a vanilla-flavored fluid.

Watauga Baby Bees Bring Good Price At Close of Showing in Hendersonville

Tubercular Clinic To Be Held Here, Starting October 13

In co-operation with the extension department of the State Sanatorium, the health department will have a specialist, Dr. William Roper, in Boone on October 13 and 14. The specialist will make free fluoroscopic examination of adults for tuberculosis. Those desiring such examination are requested to make appointments now at the health department office in Boone. No examination will be made without appointments.

Any of the following symptoms should make one suspicious of having tuberculosis.

Loss of weight, loss of strength, lack of energy and endurance. Feeling tired and "rundown," especially in the afternoon or evening. Poor appetite, indigestion or dyspepsia. A temperature normal or below or above in the afternoon or evening. A cough is frequently, but not always present in tuberculosis; a hemorrhage from the lungs, as much as a teaspoonful of pure blood, is almost always due to tuberculosis; blood-streaked sputum is also suspicious. Pleurisy—a sharp pain in the chest, made worse on deep breathing or on coughing and lasting an hour or more is nearly always due to tuberculosis; this is true whether it is dry pleurisy or with fluid in the chest.

Tuberculosis can be cured if diagnosed early, but rarely, if ever cured, in its last stages.

Knitters Needed For Red Cross Activity

Mrs. James Council has been named chairman of the yarn-knitting activity of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, and states that a large number of knitters are needed to prepare garments for war relief purposes. Anyone interested in aiding in this work should see Mrs. Council and get the supplies needed.

Mrs. Mae Miller is general production chairman for the Red Cross and Mrs. Council is assistant in charge of this particular activity.

Irish Potatoes Are Sought For Orphans

The Baptist orphanage at Thomasville is in a position to use Irish potatoes at this time in any quantity, according to Russell D. Hodges, orphanage director for the Three Forks Baptist Association.

Mr. Hodges asks that all those willing to donate potatoes to this cause, leave them at the Farmers Hardware & Supply Co. and transportation to Thomasville will be provided.

Grand Champion to Be Shown at State Fair; Number of Others to Be Taken to Catawba Fair; List of Sales; Hamilton Expresses Appreciation

A number of Watauga county Hereford baby bees were disposed of at fancy prices, following the close of the Hendersonville fair last week, while several of the 4-H boys retained their calves for showing at the Catawba county fair.

The grand champion calf of the show, owned by Mack Vannoy of Bambo, which at eight months old, tipped the scales at 796, was retained by its owner and will enter the Hereford baby beef competition at the state fair.

Of interest is the fact that Watauga's 4-H Club calves have won every grand championship at the Hendersonville show for the past five years, and during the period have also claimed to reserve championships. Two different years the Watauga calves claimed first prize in each classification.

Those who will show their calves at the Catawba fair are: Kent Miller, Earl Edmisten, Horace Edmisten, Clint Ward, Scott and Austin Morretz. There will be eight Watauga Hereford entries at the state fair.

The Sales Following is the list of local calves sold, the buyers and the price paid per pound for the animals:

Earl Edmisten, fourth place prize winner, 860 pounds, 20 cents per pound. Buyer, Sears Roebuck & Co.

Maston and Russell Hodges, 1,081 pounds, bought by John Wellborn and Bernard Dougherty of Boone, for Appalachian College cafeteria; 16½ cents per pound.

Pearl Greene, 892 pounds, bought by the Dixie Home Stores for 17 cents per pound.

James Dugger, 854 pounds; bought by Northwestern Bank of Boone for 16½ cents per pound.

Bruce Stout, 874 pounds, bought by the Asheville Fish Market for 12½ cents per pound. The Daniel Boone Hotel added \$10.00 to the price paid.

Mack Greene, 837 pounds, bought by A. & P. Stores for 15 cents per pound.

Expresses Appreciation

County Agent Harry Hamilton, under whose leadership Watauga county has continually forged to the front in the breeding of registered Hereford cattle, takes occasion to express to the people of Boone and the county his sincere appreciation for the fine co-operation in his efforts. He particularly desires to thank Appalachian College, the Northwestern Bank and the Daniel Boone Hotel for their support in helping make the calves bring a good price, and solicits the same kind of support at the Catawba and State fairs.

POSTAL OFFICIAL SEEKS TO REMEDY MAIL SITUATION

W. L. Cornelius, Chief Railway Mail Clerk, Lends His Co-operation to Local Postal Officials and Makes Recommendation for Better Service

Mr. W. L. Cornelius of Greensboro, chief railway mail clerk, was in town last Thursday, looking to the improvement of the local mail situation and promises his full co-operation to local postal officials and others in their efforts to provide additional and improved mail facilities for this city.

Mr. Cornelius made recommendations calling for a mail to leave Boone daily at 4:30 for Hickory, which would make connection with Southern railway train 16 for Salisbury and the east, thus eliminating the principal objection on the part of business people that no mail can be dispatched from Boone after 1:30 p. m. The official also includes in his tentative plan an extra round trip mail service to Lenoir, returning to Boone at 7 p. m.

He indicated to postoffice officials his intention of doing everything possible to provide quicker and more adequate mail service, to meet the expanding needs of this community, and while here accepted bids for carrying the proposed new mails.

EARL MULLINS IS KILLED BY BLAST

Brother of Former Boone Merchant Fatally Injured in Defense Plant Explosion

Earl Mullins, 35, resident of Grundy, Va., and brother of J. A. Mullins, former Boone merchant, was fatally injured last Wednesday as he worked in an airplane plant in Cleveland, Ohio. According to word reaching Boone, Mr. Mullins was engaged in the paint department and suffered the burns from which he died when a large tank of varnish exploded. He lived for about 24 hours following the accident. Two others were killed, it was said, and three seriously injured.

Surviving are the widow and two children. The parents also survive, together with a number of brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were conducted at Grundy, Va., Friday afternoon, and burial was there. Kenneth Linney of Boone, attended the rites.

Sweeping New Tax Levies Bring On Wave of Buying

Washington, Sept. 30—Today was like the day before Christmas in the nation's retail stores. Apparently, millions of people rushed to buy goods before sweeping new taxes took effect at midnight.

The big rush today was on liquor, furs, jewelry, toilet preparations and automobile tires and tubes. On furs, jewelry and toilet preparations, the new tax—10 per cent of retail price—must be paid by the retailer and prices were sure to go up tomorrow.

Among the new taxes were levies on sporting goods, luggage, electrical or gas or oil appliances, photographic apparatus, electric signs, business machines including typewriters, rubber articles, washing machines to be used by commercial laundries, optical equipment and electric light bulbs. Taxes were increased on automobiles, auto parts, tires and tubes, playing cards, radios, refrigerators, safety deposit boxes, pin ball and slot machines, bowling alleys and billiard tables, musical instruments and phonograph records.

There are also new taxes on local telephone bills and transportation tickets.

Another change virtually wipes out all exemptions from the federal tax on admissions to theaters and similar places. Formerly the tax did not apply on tickets selling for less than 21 cents. Now the tax applies to all tickets except those sold for less than 10 cents to children under 12. Tickets to church and charitable entertainments are no longer exempt.

BARBER BILL TO AGAIN APPEAR OVER LOCAL RADIO

Barber Bill and his famous quartet, with Mayor W. H. Gragg announcing, will be again heard over the Boone experimental oscillator system from 2 to 3 p. m. Sunday, October 12. The number on your radio dial is 800.

Navy Recruiting Campaign Creates Local Interest; Rob Rivers Assists In Efforts

Following the appearance of the first advertisement in the Democrat of a series designed to enlist new recruits for Uncle Sam's new two-ocean navy, the local newspaper office has received many inquiries from ambitious Watauga county youths, and today the navy publicity is contained in a two-page spread, through the co-operation of a number of business institutions, suggesting a community interest in the undertaking.

At the suggestion of Secretary of the Navy Knox, Rob Rivers has been made navy editor of The Democrat to help the navy in giving ambitious young men information about the opportunities the "two-ocean" navy offers for technical training and advancement.

In outlining the many advantages offered by navy enlistment, Mr. Rivers said, "It is possible for a