



## CANTEEN SERVICE FOR ENLISTED MEN BEING SPONSORED

Woman's Club and Red Cross to Manage Room to Serve as Center for Members of Armed Forces; Aid of Community is Sought

The Woman's Club and the Red Cross under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Bridge, are sponsoring a canteen to serve as an enlisted men's center in Boone, whose purpose it will be to get in touch with all service men in the county, and to provide a spot where when they get in touch with their relatives or wait for transportation.

The room, located on Depot street, will be open on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays, refreshments will be served and all enlisted men passing through town are asked to come by and register. Some person will be in charge of the center at all times to give information and to assist any soldier in any way possible. Arrangements are made also to care for emergency over-night guests.

There is some expense connected with the center, and the club will appreciate any donations, either cash or furniture. The needs include chairs, lamps, a heater, desks, cushions, pictures, stationery, magazines, besides those things already donated. An old couch or settee that could be recovered would be appreciated. The sponsors hope that they may make of this room a home for enlisted men while they are in Boone, and solicit the help of the town in their worthy undertaking.

## JOHN FARTHING HURT IN WRECK

Boone Naval Officer and Former Postman Seriously Injured in Rhode Island

Rather incomplete information reaching Boone tells of the serious injury somewhere in New Jersey of John Farthing, chief petty officer, U. S. navy, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Farthing of Boone. The telegram received by relatives stated that young Mr. Farthing suffered a broken left leg and left arm, and injuries to the back in a wreck, but did not disclose the nature of the accident, or the exact place it occurred.

John, who formerly served four years in the marine corps, and who was later city mail carrier here, is most popular in this community, and his many friends are anxiously awaiting further news concerning his condition.

## Insurance Convention Held Here Last Week

A district convention of the Occidental Life Insurance Company of Raleigh, was held at Hotel Watauga on August 21. Mr. J. Robey McNeil of North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Joe Neal of West Jefferson, were the hosts.

A four-course banquet was served with Mr. J. Robey McNeil as master of ceremonies. Speakers of the evening included Mr. Hal Trentman, vice-president of the company, Raleigh, and Mr. Elbert Chambers of Asheville. Mr. Dock Walsh of Parlier, supplied banjo music, and there were vocal numbers by Mr. Rex West of North Wilkesboro.

Dancing was enjoyed later in the evening with Paul Weston at the piano and Joe Neal, saxophone.

About 35 attended the convention.

## Cove Creek High School To Open Monday Morning

The Cove Creek high school will open its 1942-43 session Monday morning, August 31st at 9 o'clock. Prof. Sam F. Horton, principal, announced today.

All elementary and district elementary teachers will meet at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Books and supplies will be checked out at that time.

The high school teachers will meet in the new high school building Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## EDMISTEN REUNION

The annual reunion of the Edmisten clan will be held Sunday, August 30th, at the state fish hatchery at Rutherford. All members of the clan are urged to attend.

## "Tiger" at Home



Dick Rossi, 26-year-old "Flying Tiger," came home from Burma to "find a nice quiet spot for a week." In six months he had shot down six "confirmed" Japs and another six "probably." He has received two medals from the Chinese government. Rossi is pictured here with his niece, Judy Murray.

## LONG ILLNESS IS FATAL TO J. ROBY HAGAMAN TUESDAY

Funeral Services for Aged Boone Man Are Conducted From Brushy Fork Church Wednesday; Interment There

J. Roby Hagaman, pioneer citizen of Watauga county, died Tuesday morning at Watauga hospital after a long illness. Mr. Hagaman was taken to the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem some time ago, but there was never any appreciable improvement in his condition. He was returned to Boone last week. He was 88 years old.

Funeral services were conducted from the Brushy Fork Baptist church Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Grady minton, pastor and Rev. J. C. Canipe, pastor of the Boone Baptist church, and interment was in the cemetery there, Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home being in charge of the arrangements.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ida Spainhour Hagaman, and three daughters: Mrs. William Ferguson, Walla Walla, Wash.; Mrs. Albert C. Adams, Spokane, Wash.; and Mrs. Ira C. McCurdy, Garfield, Wash. There is one sister, Mrs. Epsie Moretz, of Patterson.

Mr. Hagaman was born in Watauga county, a son of Thomas and Sallie Reese Hagaman, and in young and middle age engaged extensively in the building trades, and was influential in the affairs of the county. He resided for a long time in the state of Washington, and returned here a number of years ago, where he has since resided. He was a member of one of this section's prominent families, was a splendid citizen and had widespread friendships.

## Gas Cards To Be Rechecked

Washington, Aug. 26—Paul M. O'Leary, deputy OPA administrator in charge of rationing, last night ordered a re-examination by local boards of all supplemental gasoline ration books with prosecution promised in cases of deliberate violation.

O'Leary said that particular emphasis will be placed on checking holders of "C" books, issued to motorists in 14 designated occupations and of "S" books given to operators of commercial vehicles.

In cases where persons are found to possess gasoline coupons beyond the amount which they are fairly entitled to, O'Leary said the books will be cancelled and new and proper regulations issued.

He warned that those who had deliberately violated the regulations will be prosecuted.

## SOVIET PAPERS PLAY UP COMING WILKIE VISIT

Moscow, Aug. 29.—Moscow newspapers gave prominent display today to dispatches reporting the forthcoming visit of Wendell Wilkie to the Soviet Union and the Orient. The press confined itself to publication of Tass agency reports from New York, but privately Russians predicted the 1940 Republican presidential nominee would be received warmly in Russia.

As President Roosevelt's personal representative he undoubtedly will be received by the Soviet Union's foremost political leaders.

## DR. HAYGOOD TO SPEAK AT FINALS OF APPALACHIAN

Second Summer Term of Teachers College Ends With Commencement Exercises Tonight; Freshmen to Arrive First of Week for Fall Term

Dr. James Douglas Haygood, professor of education at the University of Florida, will deliver the address this (Thursday) evening, at commencement exercises, marking the end of the second six-weeks summer term at Appalachian College. The exercises will be held in the college auditorium and will start at 8:30.

Reports from the college indicate a splendid summer enrollment, a far greater number of teachers being registered than was anticipated under present wartime conditions. There were 444 enrolled in the first term, and in the second 331. It is noted that the second term had the largest percentage of students in relation to the first in the history of the institution.

Dean J. D. Rankin, in commenting on the prospects for the regular fall and winter term, stated that while, of course, the enrollment could not accurately be predicted at this time, that he and other officials were expecting 600 or more by the time classroom work actually gets underway. This would be considered an unusually fine enrollment, and would compare most favorably with the 796 present a year ago, considering the difference in conditions with which the students are faced.

## Mrs. Almyra Johnson Dies at Laxon Home

Mrs. Almyra Johnson, 56 years old, died at the home near Laxon last Thursday. Funeral services were conducted from the Laurel Springs Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. R. C. Eggers, on Friday and interment was in the church cemetery.

The husband, James C. Johnson, and two daughters, Mrs. Glenn Moretz and Mrs. Don Lookabill of Laxon; and one adopted daughter, Mrs. John Davis of Todd, and six grandchildren survive. There are five brothers and three sisters surviving: W. H. and C. M. Moretz of Alvarado, Va.; S. L. Moretz of Dola, Ky.; C. C. Moretz of Tutersville, Ky.; D. M. Moretz and Mrs. Emma Short of Raven Cliff, W. Va.; Mrs. Laura Maggard of Norton, Va., and Mrs. Zuelia Winebarger of Laxon.

Mrs. Laxon was a member of the Laurel Springs Baptist church, and was a fine Christian lady.

## GOP Nominates Dewey For Governor of N. Y.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Aug. 24—Thomas E. Dewey accepted the Republican nomination for governor of New York tonight with a renoucement, if elected, of any presidential aspirations in 1944.

The former Manhattan district attorney, who lost the party's presidential nomination to Wendell L. Willkie in 1940, made his declaration immediately after a cheering state convention had nominated him by acclamation for a three-cornered gubernatorial race.

Dewey has been considered by political observers an almost certain candidate for the presidential nomination, whose chances would be enhanced by election to the New York governorship. Presidential candidates will be named in 1944, midway in the next gubernatorial term.

## Union Service at Grace Lutheran Sunday P. M.

Union services will be conducted at Grace Lutheran church Sunday evening at 8:00 o'clock. The sermon will be delivered by Mrs. Nora Warman, pastor of the Advent Christian church.

Music for the service will be in charge of Mr. Gordon Nash. The public is invited to attend the service.

## BUILDING AND LOAN NOW SELLING WAR BONDS

The Watauga Building and Loan has qualified for the sale of war bonds, and now has these securities on hand. The association is doing this in an effort to aid in every way possible the furtherance of the war.

## Their Fighting Day: re Over



A prison camp in the desert. Italian prisoners of war captured in the El Alamein area are shown being led into their "cage" by a British guard. These men and many more were captured when the British forces, aided by U. S. planes and pilots, doubled back and cut their lines during the heavy fighting around El Alamein.

## A Grievous Error

Through one of the most perplexing errors which the local newspaper has ever made, the name of Sheriff A. J. Edmisten was omitted from the story published last week regarding the nominees of the Democratic county convention.

As is well known, the popular sheriff was nominated for a third time, winning a close majority over Lester Carroll, prominent farmer and lumberman of this community, and former manager of the local livestock market.

These facts were set out in the original story, placed in type, carried through the galley proofs, and in the rush of makeup, the lines were mixed with some discarded type, and thrown into the melting pot. The edition was off the press before our attention was called to the matter. This is to offer sincere apology to our general sheriff for the error, and to express our deep regrets.

## YOUTH WEEK NOW ANNUAL AFFAIR

Young People Have Complete Charge of Work at Baptist Church This Week

Youth Week in the Boone Baptist church has come to be an annual affair. This is youth week and the young people of the church have complete charge. Baxter Howell is the preacher and will be the speaker at the 11 o'clock service next Sunday morning. J. B. Hagaman, Jr., is the assistant pastor, and will conduct the prayer service this week. Other young people in responsible places are the following: Tharon Young, president of the Woman's Missionary Society; circle leaders are Helen Wilcox, Theresa Brown, Hope Eller and Royster Barnett; Organist, Laura Ruth Hagaman; superintendent of the Sunday school, Paul Hagaman; secretary, J. C. Canipe, Jr.; director Training Union, A. Y. Howell. The following will serve as deacons for the week: Stacy Eggers, Charles Younce, G. C. Greene, Earl Payne, Phil Vance, Cecil Greene, Spencer Qualls, Charles Rogers, Ted Hagaman, J. V. Caudill and J. C. Canipe, Jr. The pastor and church are backing these young people one hundred per cent.

It is expected that a large crowd will hear J. B. Hagaman Wednesday on Joseph the Dreamer. And Miss Young will meet all girls Thursday evening at 7:30 for the mission program, and Baxter Howell will no doubt have a great crowd to hear him preach next Sunday morning.

The public is invited to all the services of these young people for the week. Many of the classes in Sunday school will be taught by young people next Sunday.

## Cecil Jonathan Tugman

Cecil Jonathan Tugman, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Tugman of Boone Route 2, died at Watauga hospital Monday, at the age of 29. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from the Hopewell Methodist church, by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Hess, and interment was in the churchyard cemetery. Surviving are the parents and three sisters: Miss Minnie Tugman, Mrs. Walter Lookabill and Miss Lena Tugman.

## JUNK RALLY TO BE HELD IN CITY NEXT SATURDAY

Harry Hamilton, County Salvage Chairman, Urges Generous Response to National Appeal for Scrap Metal; All Are Asked to Co-operate

A county-wide junk rally is to be held in Boone next Saturday, and every person in the entire area is urged to join in the national effort to provide huge piles of scrap iron, rubber and other materials from which the planes, guns, ships, tanks and the many other machines of modern warfare may be constructed, in the all-out effort to defeat the hordes of the totalitarian war lords.

County Chairman H. M. Hamilton states that through the generosity of Mr. W. R. Winkler, local automobile dealer, his committee has been allowed the use of the lot lying between the Winkler garage and W. R. Lovill's law office, as a temporary place to assemble the scrap materials on Junk Rally Day. All those coming to Boone on Saturday are asked to bring some item of scrap iron, rubber, or other material needed and throw it on the Victory scrap heap. This metal will be sold and the proceeds given to the Red Cross. Those desiring to sell the scrap, may dispose of it, says Mr. Hamilton, at Miller and Jones second hand store.

Mr. Hamilton says the scheduled collection of the scrap which has been gathered in the various sections of the county has been unavoidably delayed, but that trucks will make the rounds of the county soon. "However," he continues, "the need for this material is of the utmost urgency and let me insist that everyone coming to Boone next Saturday bring some kind of scrap material—bring all you can, but even the smallest item will be welcome. If a majority of the people who would come to town anyway on next Saturday would bring some junk, we would have an enormous amount of material to hurl against our enemies."

"Those of us on the home front have an urgent responsibility to do all that we can to speed the war to a swift and successful conclusion," continued Mr. Hamilton. "One of the ways to accomplish this objective is to see that no home in this county has in it any old metal that is lying idle."

"Old lamps in the attic, broken garden tools in the garage, an old stovepipe in the cellar, all these can be used to good advantage by American industry in these crucial days. Every pound of scrap we can get to American steel plants will increase their production—already half of the world total—by just that much more. In that way we can all help make more weapons to crush the Axis."

## J. A. MORETZ RITES HELD IN HICKORY

Native of Watauga Succumbs to Heart Attack; Was Brother of J. M. and P. W. Moretz

Hickory, Aug. 21.—Joseph Alfred Moretz, prominent Hickory manufacturer, a church and civic leader, died at about 4 o'clock Wednesday morning in a local hospital following a serious illness of the last few days. Mr. Moretz, who had been identified with numerous progressive civic enterprises and was widely known throughout this section, was stricken at his home in Forest Park Sunday night.

Funeral services were held at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon at Holy Trinity Lutheran church, where he had served as Sunday school superintendent. (Continued on page eight)

## Executive Committee Of Northwestern Bank Meets in N. Wilkesboro

An important meeting of the executive committee of the Northwestern Bank was held in the bank's new offices at North Wilkesboro last Monday.

Those attending the meeting, which was presided over by former Lieutenant Governor R. A. Doughton, chairman of the committee, were: Congressman R. L. Doughton, R. A. Doughton, Sparta; W. D. Farthing, Boone; W. C. Berry, Bakersville; Edwin Duncan, Sparta; J. T. Prevette and Vernon Deal of North Wilkesboro.

## LOCAL HUNTING LAWS ARE GIVEN

Squirrel Season Opens on September 15; Hunting Regulations Are Cited

Walter Edmisten, county game warden, announces the following open season on game in this county: Squirrel, Sept. 15 to Dec. 15.

Opossum, raccoon, Oct. 20 to Feb. 15.

Quail, Nov. 26 to Feb. 10, bag limit, 10 per day.

Rabbit, Nov. 26 to Feb. 10, bag limit, 10 per day.

Ruffed grouse, Nov. 26 to Jan. 1, bag limit, 2 per day, 10 per season.

Dove, Dec. 1 to Dec. 30, bag limit, 10 per day.

Ducks, Nov. 2 to Jan. 10, bag limit, 10 per day, 20 per season.

Geese, Nov. 2 to Jan. 10, bag limit, 2 per day, 4 per season.

Mr. Edmisten states that the prospects of a large take of squirrels and other upland game in this county is exceptionally good, and calls attention of the hunters to the following regulations in force:

It is unlawful to hunt on Sunday. It is illegal to use a gun, automatic or hand operated, capable of using more than three shells, and it is a violation of the law to sell or offer for sale squirrels or quail taken in Watauga and neighboring counties.

## Notice to Green Valley District School Students

All students graduating from the seventh grade in the Green Valley district schools, who expect to come to Boone high school next Tuesday for eighth grade work, should come by the Boone high school office Saturday of this week and arrange their program for the coming winter, according to Prof. Herbert Wey, principal of the Boone school. This is necessary, he says, because last year the seventh grade students in the Green Valley district were not registered. Students who do not report as suggested next Saturday, will have to take whatever classes in which vacancies yet remain.

## State to Use Tab-sized Auto Plates in 1943

Raleigh, Aug. 24.—North Carolina's 1943 license plate will be a small tab, containing only four square inches, Motor Vehicle Commissioner T. B. Ward said today.

Automobiles will be equipped with only one of the tabs, attached to the rear license plate. The serial number on the tab will not correspond with the 1942 license number, Ward said.

Ward estimated that the state would save about 200 tons of metal by substituting the small plate for the larger ones now in use, and said enough metal is now on hand from previous purchases to make enough of the tabs for next year.

The midget-sized plate will be manufactured at Central prison and most of the machinery needed to process them has already arrived.

## Chamber of Commerce Meeting Is Postponed

Because of a conflict with a number of other gatherings, the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, which was scheduled for Thursday evening, has been postponed to Thursday evening of next week.