

Appalachian High School Winner In Basketball Tourney

The Appalachian Blue Devils closed the season in a blaze of glory by defeating Cove Creek High School 49 to 12. The Boone boys took an early lead and were never threatened throughout the game.

Walter Ragan, Baxter Bryan and Captain M. W. Greene finished their careers at Appalachian High by playing one of the best games of the season. The Boone boys' defense was tight throughout the game and the Cove Creek boys found it impossible to score.

By winning this game, the Boone boys were crowned champions of the Appalachian State Teachers College "A" Club tournament. The Blue Devils had previously beaten Bethel by the score of 46 to 10 and Blowing Rock 49 to 26.

Lanky Ted Hagaman was voted the most valuable player in the tournament, and the Boone boys received honors by placing M. W. Greene, Baxter Bryan, and Ted Hagaman on the first five of the all-tournament team.

The Boone boys finished the season without being defeated by a North Carolina team, and are looking forward to another successful season.

VEGETABLE CONTAINERS.

Wooden containers for shipping fresh fruits and vegetables are being standardized to conserve lumber, metals and manpower.

BUY WAR BONDS

Their Last Meeting—We All Hope



This photo, which reached London through a neutral source, shows Italian Foreign Minister Count Ciano (left) with Adolf Hitler and Marshal Herman Goering (right) at Hitler's headquarters, presumably on the Russian front.

Men Over 38 Years Old Lost Their Special Selective Service Classification

Older Men To Be Transferred From 4-H to Other Classes.

Washington, March 7.—Men over 38 lost their special draft classification today.

Selective service ordered local boards to put no more 38 to 45-year-old men in class 4-H and to transfer men now in that classification into the regular classes—such as 1-A, 3-A, 4-F, etc.—but not actually draft them.

The action has the effect of establishing an order in which men over 38 would be inducted "if and when the armed forces determine they can be used in the military establishment," as the War Manpower

commission put it.

Then men in 4-H are to be reclassified on the same basis as younger men but with special "H" designations. Some will thus be put in 1-A (H), 2-B (H), 3-A (H) and similar classes.

There was no indication from selective service or from the war or navy departments as to whether this actually foreshadows a call to the colors for men over 38, who are technically eligible for military service to the age of 45.

The chief aim of the new order is to induce men over 38 to go into farming. The order provides that any man over 38 who farms now or who takes up farming by May 1 shall be reclassified promptly into the farm deferment class, 2-C if single, and 3-C if married, if he meets the other farm-deferment qualifications.

The order did not make it clear whether it would be too late after May 1 for a man over 38 to get a farm job and a farm deferment. The apparently intended inference was that he ought to do it by May 1, which is roughly the beginning of the heaviest season of farm work.

Four other new selective service regulations were issued last night designed to keep agricultural workers on the farms. They provide:

1. When a man is granted deferment for farm work, local boards have no further discretion and must keep him deferred. If this makes the local board unable to meet its quota for the armed services, the military call "should be left unfulfilled."

2. Any man with farm experience now in other work is to get farmer deferment if he returns to farming before he is notified to appear for induction.

3. A farm worker in danger of losing his deferment through failure to meet production requirements must be referred to the county farm war board and 30 days must be allowed for his placement in another farm job before he can be drafted.

4. County farm boards may request the deferment of farm workers or appeal draft board rulings if the worker himself or his employer does not act.

SERGEANT TROUTMAN "GETS THERE FIRST"

The following, relative to the younger brother of Rev. Edwin F. Troutman, of Boone, is clipped from the Statesville Landmark, hometown paper of the Troutman family:

A marine combat correspondent named Samuel E. Stavisky, sends this from somewhere in the Pacific: "A leatherneck Sergeant Major from Troutman, N. C., named Victor Troutman tells the story of how he unwittingly served as an 'advance unit for advance units' during the historic Marine landing on Guadalcanal on August 7.

"Sergeant major Troutman hit the beach with the three clerks of his command post staff. Intending to establish the command post about 100 yards behind the front lines, they cut their way through the jungle for more than an hour without coming upon the leading echelon (an arrangement of troops.) They concluded they were lost. Noises to the rear put them on guard. They ducked behind trees, their guns cocked for action. The noises proved to be the advance guard of the leading echelon for which they had been looking. They had been preceding, rather than following the assault troops." So hurrah for Troutman! Trust Iredell to get there first—no matter what the number of men.

COVE CREEK HI SCHOOL NEWS

Two half days were given the last week in February for the rationing program. Students brought in book 1 to the school to have book 2 issued. The total number issued by the faculty was 1,832.

Mr. Grady Tester is taking care of the Red Cross war funds donated by students and teachers of the school.

Work on the tennis, croquet, and volley ball courts has been started. Funds for this purpose were secured last year from various school and community activities.

Plans are being laid for a senior annual at present. If these plans go through the photography club will make and develop the pictures for the annual.

Work on the senior play entitled "Under Western Skies" began last week. The play is sponsored by Miss Jennie Love and will be presented in the high school auditorium April 9, at 2:00 p. m.

Invitations, diplomas, caps and gowns have been ordered recently for the seniors.

Watauga county has been asked to increase its egg production 10% above that of last year. To help poultry raisers do this, a meeting is held each Wednesday night at 7:30 in the agriculture classroom of the new high school building.

In the basketball tournament Cove Creek boys played Todd and Boone. The scores were: first game, Cove Creek 26, Todd 15; second game, Cove Creek 12, Boone 49.

Marjorie Elizabeth Baird recently became the bride of Buster Henson. Both are graduates of Cove Creek High School. The ceremony took place at 8 p. m., February 29, at the Methodist parsonage.

Paul Tester and Payne Ward, former students of Cove Creek, now with the U. S. Navy, stationed in Norfolk, Va., visited the school last week.

Hal Johnson is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson. He is expecting to be called into the service immediately. His father, who has been in poor health for some time, is still quite ill.

The first aid course, instructed by Miss Gail Clay, is nearing an end. Two class periods each week have been given to the study of First Aid in the three health classes.

Crayte Perry Teague, electrician's mate, third class (E.M. 3-c) stationed on the U. S. S. Charger, and former student of Cove Creek, was a visitor here last week.

Mabel News

Mrs. M. L. Warren is still in the Watauga Hospital where she has been for the past three weeks. Her condition is said to be improving.

Luther and L. C. Oliver and Barrie Oliver have returned to their homes here from Norfolk, Va., where they have been employed.

Misses Maude Williams and Mabel Norris spent the last week-end in Bristol, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Church.

Mrs. Curtis Madron left last week for Washington state where she will join her husband, who has been with the Navy for the past two years.

Mrs. Ralph Williams and son Frank are in Cleveland, Ohio, visiting with her husband who is employed there. Master Jerry Younce made the trip with them to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Younce.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Church has returned to her home here from Bristol, where she has spent the last three weeks with her brother, Ivan Church and Mrs. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mast made a business trip to Bristol last Friday. Mrs. Lloyd Seehorn and son Jimmy, of Shouns, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Williams.

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Banner Elk News.

Sergeant Norman Tester has returned to Palm Beach, Fla., where he is stationed, after spending a few days with family and friends here. Misses Lena and Alice Tester recently enlisted in the SPARS.

Miss Naomi Ward has gone to Greenville, Va., to work.

Mr. John Presnell of Banner Elk, has received a telegram saying that his son, Charlie Presnell was missing in action in the North African area.

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AIR RAID QUIZ TEST. BULLETIN FROM THE OFFICE OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE WASHINGTON D C. Here's one of the most important tests you will ever take. Your ability to make a perfect score of 100 may some day save your life. Score 10 for each correct answer—80 is passing. 1. In an air raid, the safest place in your home is— (a) The attic. (b) Near inside wall. (c) The garage. (d) Near the door. 2. When the air raid siren sounds, you should— (a) Go to bed. (b) Blackout your home. (c) Telephone your friends. (d) Look for the planes. (e) Stay in the street. 3. During an air raid, you are safer— (a) Outdoors. (b) Behind a tree. (c) In the park. (d) In a building. 4. If a fire bomb hits your home, you should— (a) Wait for fire department. (b) Throw a bucket of water on it. (c) Use water, with hose, and sand. (d) Use a wet blanket. 5. If a person is injured by falling debris— (a) Help him sit up. (b) Leave him in a prone position and call your warden. (c) Give him whiskey. (d) Try to get him to walk. 6. The best way to block out a room is— (a) Turn out the lights and sit in the dark. (b) Use blackout materials to cover windows and doors. (c) Burn blue candles. 7. To prepare your home for air raids, first— (a) Clean the attic. (b) Reinforce the roof. (c) Paint house black. 8. The average bomber carries enough 2.5-pound fire bombs to start— (a) 100 to 200 fires. (b) 10 to 20 fires. (c) 1,000 to 2,000 fires. (d) 1 or 2 fires. 9. If you are driving your car when raid siren sounds— (a) Continue driving with lights on. (b) Turn out lights and stay in car. (c) Pull car to curb, turn off ignition, seek shelter. (d) Take a side road. 10. The air raid warning signal is— (a) A long steady blast for over a minute. (b) A series of short blasts. (c) A long and short blast.

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