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BURLEY SALES TO BE RESUMED HERE NEXT MONDAY

Despite Unfavorable Weather Conditions, Tobacco Continues To Arrive and Half Million Pounds of Weed Will Be On Floors When After-Holiday Auctions Begin Jan. 7

Despite unfavorable weather, first of the week brought high receipts of burley at the local warehouses, and it was predicted that more than half a million pounds would be on the floors for the opening of sales next Monday.

R. C. Coleman, warehouseman, has returned from Tabor City, and states that all tobacco sold before the holidays has been moved away, and with floors clean, tobacco can now be handled much more quickly.

It is expected by Mr. Coleman that future prices will be as good and perhaps better than those which prevailed in the early part of the season.

CLOTHING DRIVE TO OPEN JAN. 7

Victory Collection To Be For Relief of Peoples in War-Torn Countries of Europe

Persons donating an article of clothing for the Victory Clothing collection for overseas relief, which starts January 7 and continues through Jan. 31, may enclose a letter and this will be sent to the person receiving the package, it has been announced.

All articles of wearing apparel, bed clothing and blankets are badly needed, it is said, and any gifts will be handled with care and sent overseas to the needy countries where people are freezing as well as starving.

While it is hoped that all articles of clothing will be wearable when they are received, it is not necessary to send them to the cleaners before they can be turned in.

It is explained that many persons, cleaning up the home after Christmas, will find articles of clothing which are warm and comfortable and yet not likely for one reason or another to be used. They are asked to donate these to the cause, turning them in at one of the county schools, city schools or at the local postoffice.

New York, Jan. 1—Soon after postoffices are cleared of the last Christmas packages, they will begin to receive clothing gifts from the American people to the suffering people in bombed-out lands, according to an order of Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan, which was made public today.

Henry J. Kaiser, national chairman of the Victory Clothing Collection, declared that the order to all postmasters authorized and directed them to permit local committees of the nation-wide clothing drive to place boxes in postoffice lobbies to receive clothing donations.

Mr. Kaiser also announced that Nelson A. Rockefeller, former assistant secretary of state, will serve as the New York city chairman of the collection.

Mr. Kaiser also announced that 9,607 communities throughout America are organized to conduct clothing drives under the local chairmanship of 4,313 men and women, many of whom will direct county-wide drives.

The Victory Clothing Collection, scheduled from Jan. 7 to 31, seeks 100,000,000 used garments, in addition to shoes and bedding. Each contributor is invited to attach goodwill messages to clothing gifts.

Building Construction Workers Are Needed

The following shortages still exist for workers in various sections of North Carolina: Carpenters, brick layers, plumbers, electricians and other building construction workers with a wage range from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per hour for skilled persons in these trades.

Workers, who because of cold weather, or jobs finished were laid off, should contact the local USES office for complete information and referral to these jobs.

A shortage exists in the paper and pulpwood industry. Most of these jobs are out of the mountain section, and they allow overtime pay. There are also openings with the N. C. Shipbuilding Company.

To Relocate Here



LIEUT. COL. R. H. HARMON

LT. COL. HARMON RETURNS TO BOONE

Will Be Discharged From Service Feb. 9, and Will Resume Practice of Medicine Here

Lieutenant Colonel R. H. Harmon, who recently returned from army duty in the Pacific, Mrs. Harmon and children, have been spending a few days in the community. Lieut. Col. Harmon, who is on terminal leave, expects to be relieved February 9th, after which time he will take post-graduate courses prior to re-establishing his medical practice here.

Lieut. Col. Harmon spent 16 months in New Guinea, Leyte, Luzon and Australia. He was second in command at the 133rd general hospital at Leyte where 2,600 casualties were treated. He had formerly been in command of the army hospital at Fort McClellan, Ala.

Lieut. Col. Harmon was recently promoted from major to his present rank.

Dr. Harmon practiced medicine here for a number of years, and the people of this area will welcome the news of his return.

WATSON HELD ON ROBBERY COUNT

Deep Gap Man Charged With Entering Smithy's Store On December 15

Perry Watson, of Deep Gap, is being held in the Watauga county jail in connection with the robbery of Smithy's store here on the night of December 15.

Watson, according to the sheriff's office, claimed the hat left in the store on the night of the robbery, and this, together with other evidence, was deemed sufficient for Justice Hahn to hold him under \$300 bond for trial at the next term of superior court.

So far investigating officers have been unable to connect Watson with the robbery of the courthouse which occurred the same night Smithy's store was entered, when approximately \$1,000 was taken from the safe in the tax collector's office.

Arthur McNeil and Carl Pressnell are also being held in jail for the theft of a suitcase from a local hotel belonging to L. W. Timmons.

Masonic District Meeting To Be Held Here Jan. 4

On Friday evening, Jan. 4, there will be a district meeting held with Snow Lodge No. 303, A. F. & A. M., in their lodge hall in Boone, starting at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of a joint installation of the newly elected and appointive officers of the five lodges in the 40th district for the ensuing Masonic year.

Hon. William J. Bundy, deputy grand master, of Greenville, N. C., will act as the installing officer and will also deliver an address after the installation ceremonies have been completed. Mr. Bundy will be the next grand master, and members of the local lodge hope to have a large crowd of Masons present for the installation ceremony and to hear him speak.

Must Display New Auto Tags by Feb. 1

All motorists must display their 1946 tags by February 1, according to State Patrolman Miles Jones. Mere possession of the tags is not sufficient to prevent arrest for violation of the state motor vehicle law, Mr. Jones emphasized. They must be properly displayed, he stated.

FLUCIE STEWART TO BE HEAD COACH AT APPALACHIAN

Former Mountaineer Mentor to Assume Duties March 1; Succeeds Francis Hoover, Who Will Coach Basketball and Football

Flucie Stewart, the man chiefly responsible for Appalachian State College's greatest era of sports in the late thirties, will return to the college as athletic director and head football coach next March 1, it was announced Saturday by Dean J. D. Rankin.

Mr. Stewart was honorably discharged from the navy last summer. He held the rank of lieutenant-commander at the time of his release and had seen 44 months of service in the Pacific. He helped coach the Clemson Tigers during the past season.

The new Mountaineer mentor will relieve Francis Hoover as acting head of the athletic department. In the absence of Capt. Clyde Canipe, former assistant coach who is still in the service, Hoover will remain at the college as basketball and baseball coach.

Stewart, one of Furman University's all-time greats in football as an end, came to Appalachian first in 1935 as line coach and basketball coach. His forward walls made grid history for the Mountaineers, and in 1938, when P. O. "Kidd" Brewer resigned as head coach, Stewart took over and developed several of the best teams the school ever had.

His success was so favorable that the University of Delaware hired him as head football coach in 1940 and a year later he accepted more lucrative offer from Tampa University, Tampa, Fla.

Prior to accepting his first assignment at Appalachian State, Stewart coached freshman football, varsity end football and varsity basketball with success under Dizzy McLeod at Furman.

He entered Furman in 1929 after making all-state tackle while playing on the Strawn (Tex.) high school team. He was acclaimed all-state football end at Furman during his junior and senior years and in his senior year made honorable mention on the Associated Press All-American team.

He also won Hale's trophy presented by Greenville, S. C., to the most valuable player. He played guard position on the Purple Hurricane basketball team which went through the seasons of 1929 and 1930 undefeated to win the state championship two years in succession. He also served as first string (Continued on page eight)

Lions Club to Sponsor March of Dimes Campaign in County

Effort Will Be Made to Raise Quota of \$2,225 to Aid in Fight on Infantile Paralysis

At its regular meeting Tuesday evening, the Boone Lions Club voted to sponsor the March of Dimes in Watauga county in an effort to raise the county's quota of \$2,225 to aid in the fight on infantile paralysis.

W. Howard Cottrell, chairman of the campaign in the county, announced that a trough some 20 feet long, will be placed on the streets, probably in front of the Belk store, for the receipt of dimes, and the usual receptacles will be placed in the stores and public buildings and a vigorous campaign will be launched in an effort to raise the county's quota between January 14-31.

Chairman Cottrell also announced that Mrs. M. R. Maddux had been named chairman of the women's division, and Rob Rivers will be publicity chairman.

Juniors to Hold Banquet On Thursday Evening

A banquet honoring members who are or have been in the service, will be held by the Junior Order at the Gateway Cafe Thursday evening, Jan. 3, at 7 o'clock, it is announced by the committee in charge of arrangements.

Each member of the order is invited to attend and is requested to bring as his guest a friend who is not a member of the order.

At the November meeting of the council a committee was named to canvas members for an offering for the Junior Order Children's Home at Lexington where 217 children are being cared for. The committee reports donations totaling \$101.

Truman's Fact Finding Board



Photo shows, left to right: Judge Walter Stacy, chief Justice, North Carolina supreme court; Lloyd K. Garrison, chairman of the President's fact finding board, and Milton Eisenhower, president of Kansas State College and brother of General Eisenhower, who are serving as President Truman's fact finding board on the General Motors strike.

Business and Financial Outlook For 1946 Is Given By Roger Babson

1946 IN A NUTSHELL

BONDS: Steady
BUILDING: Increased
COMMODITY PRICES: Mixed
COST OF LIVING: Higher
TOTAL BUSINESS: Lower
INFLATION: Evident
FARM PRICES: Uncertain
FOREIGN TRADE: Competitive
LABOR: More strikes
REAL ESTATE: Higher
RETAIL SALES: Values up
RECONVERSION: Increased
STOCKS: Higher
TAXES: Lower
POLITICS: President to take middle-of-the-road.

Preacher School Director



REV. J. C. CANIPE

MINISTERS' SCHOOL TO BE HELD HERE

Preachers From Three States To Attend Six Weeks Course Beginning Here January 7

Beginning Monday, Jan. 7, in the First Baptist Church, Boone, there will be held a six weeks' preacher's school. The school will be headed by Rev. J. C. Canipe, who will be assisted by Dr. Wiley Smith, of Appalachian College faculty, and Rev. H. K. Middleton, pastor of Cove Creek Church.

Sixty preachers have already registered and will be in attendance at the school. They come from central and western North Carolina, Tennessee and South Carolina. Classes will be held in the Sunday School rooms of the First Baptist Church. Many of the men will be housed in the church and others in the homes of the town. Classes will assemble each Monday at noon and run through Friday noon. The school will close on February 15, if schedules are maintained.

Certificates for the courses will be awarded to the men who take the work by the Baptist Bible Institute of New Orleans, La. The courses offered are extension courses of the Bible Institute and are the same courses used in the class rooms in New Orleans. The following subjects will be offered: Bible, Sermon Preparation and Delivery, English and Lectures on Modern Church Methods. The only cost to the preachers who attend will be books and transportation.

Wildlife Club Will Meet Next Tuesday

The Watauga Wildlife Club will hold a supper meeting Tuesday evening, Jan. 7, at 7 p. m., at the Gateway Cafe.

Following the supper and regular meeting, two movies from the Field and Stream film library will be shown. The movies will be on quail shooting and trout fishing.

Dr. Richardson, president of the club, requests all members to be present as important matters are to be discussed.

COUNTY REACHES E BOND GOAL; TOTAL SALES \$560,000

Victory Loan Campaign Reaches Record Sum Following Holiday Sales; Chairmen Express Thanks

Watauga county has again sustained a record of meeting every demand of the treasury in war financing efforts by exceeding her Victory Loan quotas both as to E bonds and other forms of securities.

The E bond sales, it is revealed, stand at \$85,000 against a quota of \$82,000, while overall sales have reached the staggering total of \$560,000. The county quota was \$128,000.

Mr. Alfred Adams, chairman, and Dr. D. J. Whitener, co-chairman, of the Victory Loan, made the announcement that the loan had been exceeded when semi-final returns from holiday sales had been tabulated Tuesday morning.

The total quota had been exceeded several weeks ago, but it had been held in doubt that the sales of E bonds would go over the top by the end of the campaign. The chairman and co-workers are to be congratulated for this outstanding accomplishment, and in turn they express deep appreciation to all the people for their co-operation in making this record possible.

MRS. J. I. VANCE TAKEN BY DEATH

Funeral Services For Well-Known Blowing Rock Resident Held in Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. Mamie Currell Vance, widow of Dr. James I. Vance, outstanding Presbyterian minister, died suddenly Thursday night at her home in Blowing Rock.

Born April 30, 1863, Mrs. Vance was the daughter of William and Agnes Wilkie Currell of York, S. C. She was married to Dr. Vance Dec. 22, 1886.

Following their marriage, they made their home in Wytheville, Va., Trenton, N. J., and Nashville, Tenn., where Dr. Vance was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church for a number of years.

For more than 40 years prior to the death of Dr. Vance on Nov. 24, 1939, they spent their summers in Blowing Rock. Following the death of Dr. Vance, Mrs. Vance and her daughter, Miss Margaret, had made their home in Blowing Rock.

The remains were sent to Nashville, Tenn., and services were held at the First Presbyterian Church in that city.

In addition to her daughter here, Mrs. Vance is survived by the following children: Currell Vance of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Allen D. Berry and Mrs. George W. Killbrew, Jr., of Nashville, and Charles R. Vance of Greensboro; 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Severe Winter Weather Continues In This Area

Severe winter weather continues in the area with little relief, and snow continues to fall, interfering with motor traffic and bringing forcefully to mind the rigorous season of 1917-18.

Bus service in and out of Boone, however, is being maintained on regular schedules, and the county schools resumed operation Monday following the holiday vacation, and the Boone high and demonstration schools were to resume operations this (Wednesday) morning.

Mr. W. H. Smith, who has a standard type government thermometer giving the following readings for the month of December: Snow on 14 days; sleet on 2 days. Low average temperature, 13. degrees. High average temperature, 21.4 degrees. Minus zero: 1 below on 16th, and 3 below on 20th.

TRUMAN IS NAMED MAN OF YEAR BY TIME MAGAZINE

New York—President Harry S. Truman was named by Time Magazine as its "man of the year" for 1945.

In selecting the President, Time said in its Dec. 31 issue, that "the greatest of all 1945's great events was the atom bomb."

The President, the magazine said, "somewhat unwittingly, somewhat against his own will, became more than any other man responsible for the bomb, its use in 1945 and its future."