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LOCAL FLOWER SHOW ATTRACTS MANY ENTRANTS

More Than 80 Flower Arrangements Mark Event Sponsored by Local Women's Club; Art Exhibit by Otto Hans Hershel Features Evening

More than eighty different arrangements of flowers featured the largely-attended flower show conducted by the home and garden department of the Woman's Club at the Daniel Boone Hotel Thursday afternoon and evening.

Ribbon awards were made to first, second and third places in the different classifications, the awards being made on the basis of horticultural perfection of growth and the relativity of the flowers to the container used.

Gladioli—First, Mrs. Wayne Richardson; second, Mrs. Ed Payne; third, Mrs. Wayne Richardson; honorable mention, Mrs. B. W. Stallings.

Asters—First, Mrs. B. W. Stallings; second, Mrs. A. E. South; third, Mrs. D. L. Wilcox.

Petunias—First, Mrs. W. C. Greer; second, Mrs. B. W. Stallings.

Nasturtiums—First, Mrs. W. M. Burwell; second, Mrs. James Storie; third, Miss Lucy Brock.

Roses (group)—First, Miss Lucy Brock; second, Mrs. B. W. Stallings; third, Mrs. W. C. Greer; honorable mention, Mrs. Wayne Richardson.

Dahlias—First, Mrs. Brown; second, Mrs. A. E. South; third, Mrs. John Barden.

Pom-Pom zinnias—First, Mrs. Stallings; second, Mrs. Mae Miller.

Chrysanthemums—First, Mrs. Stallings; second, Mrs. W. C. Greer.

Vines—First, Mrs. R. W. Watkins; second, Mrs. J. T. C. Wright.

Vegetable arrangement—First, Mrs. R. H. Harmon.

Fruit arrangement—First, Mrs. R. H. Harmon.

Breakfast table arrangement—First, Mrs. Stallings; second, Mrs. J. A. Williams; third, Mrs. W. D. Farthing.

Breakfast tray arrangements—Mrs. R. W. Watkins, rosebuds; second, Mrs. A. E. South, ageratum; third, Mrs. Mae Miller, rosebuds.

Victoria classical arrangement—First, Mrs. L. L. Bingham, lily.

Porch arrangement—First, Milton Barden; second, Mrs. D. L. Wilcox; third, Mrs. A. E. South; honorable mention, Mrs. Mae Miller.

Dahlias (specimen)—First, Mrs. Mae Miller; second, Mrs. Roy Phillips.

Tea table arrangement—First, Mrs. Ralph Mast; second, Mrs. W. D. Farthing; third, Mrs. R. H. Harmon.

Resigns



H. GRADY FARTHING

FARTHING QUILTS STATE POSITION

Boone Man Retires as District Game Protector; Considering Other Proposal

Mr. H. Grady Farthing, Boone, former state Senator, has resigned his position as district game and fish protector with the Department of Conservation and Development, it was learned yesterday, his resignation to take effect September 1.

It is known that Mr. Farthing has been offered a far more lucrative governmental position than the one relinquished, but declined comment other than to say he has the matter under consideration, but is giving his time a present to personal business interests.

Mr. Farthing has been with the Conservation Department for 21 years, during all the period of pioneering in the field of wild life conservation, and describes the work of the department as having advanced steadily throughout the years. He was supervisor of law enforcement as regards hunting and fishing in fifteen counties of Piedmont and North-western Carolina, and is being succeeded by Mr. R. F. Logan of Chapel Hill.

Mr. Farthing, in retiring from this work, refers to the many pleasant associations he has enjoyed with sportsmen, landowners and others throughout the state, and desires to express his appreciation to all for their splendid assistance and cooperation. He bespeaks for his successor a like degree of consideration.

No Trace Found of Stolen Automobile

No trace has been found of the automobile belonging to T. Milton Greer which was stolen from in front of the Rivers building Saturday evening. The car was locked, it is said, and the culprit evidently broke a glass to gain admission, and connected ignition wires in such a way as to operate the machine without the switch key.

Patrolman C. M. Jones immediately had the news of the missing car broadcast by short wave, but without results up to this time. The car was a 1940 model Chevrolet coupe.

COLOR SCHEME FOR 1947 LICENSE TAGS ANNOUNCED

North Carolina's 1947 automobile license tags will be black letters on an orange background, Motor Vehicle Commissioner T. Boddie Ward announces.

Manufacture of the tags, which will go on sale December 1, has begun at Central prison in Raleigh.

Ward said the steel shortage again would limit the tags to one per car instead of two furnished in pre-war days.

TO CLOSE ON LABOR DAY

The local office of the U. S. Employment Service will be closed next Monday, in observance of Labor Day, it is announced.

WIPES OUT FAMILY

Yokosuka, Japan. — Rear Admiral Shiro Sato, wartime commander of forces in the New Guinea area shot himself after killing his wife and two children as they slept. He had recently suffered a nervous breakdown.

CUB SCOUTS TO MEET

The Cub Scouts will hold a pack meeting at the Presbyterian Church Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

French Official, Family, Recent Visitors in City

Roger Capron, deputy financial comptroller of the French missions to the United States and Canada, Mrs. Capron, son, Michael, and sister, Mademoiselle Jeanne Capron, left Boone Friday after having spent a week at the local tourist court operated by Mrs. A. E. Hamby. The French official says France is working hard on her reconstruction programs, but that recovery is slow and that many years will be required to bring the nation back to her pre-war status.

TROUT SEASON ENDS SATURDAY

Bass Waters to Be Open to Anglers; Fishing in Closed Waters to Bring Prosecution

The open season for trout fishing closes on August 31, it is stated by County Game Warden Walter Edmisten, who reminds anglers that certain waters are open to fishing after Sept. 1.

Fishing will be permitted in Watauga River from the mouth of Laurel Creek down, New River from its forks near the Blair farm down, Elk Creek and Cove Creek. All other waters are considered trout streams and are closed.

Fishing in any of the closed waters, says Warden Edmisten, will constitute a violation of the state law, and the angler will be subject to criminal prosecution.

Terminal Leave Blanks Available at Local Postoffice

Blanks on which former members of the armed forces may file application for payment under the terminal leave bill, are now available at the Boone postoffice, and other postoffices in the county, states John E. Brown, Jr., local postmaster. The blanks will be distributed to all veterans who desire them.

Recruiter to Be Here Every Monday

Sgt. Ned R. Rockette, U. S. Army recruiter, has announced that he will be in the post office building in Boone every Monday from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., to answer inquiries from all men interested in the regular army.

Sgt. Rockette pointed out that former service men will be especially interested in the new war department pamphlet 12-16 which authorizes enlistment in grades according to training and experience.

Paul Weber To Play For Labor Day Dance

Paul Weber and his orchestra will supply the music for a Labor Day benefit dance, sponsored by the Women's Worthwhile Club, which will be held Friday evening, September 6 in the Appalachian High School gymnasium.

Tickets will be \$1.50 per couple and the proceeds will go to the high school recreational program.

A squirrel hake is a fish of the cod family, found in the Atlantic Ocean.

After Glass' Seat



William A. Wright, Tappahannock, Va., chairman of the Virginia conservation commission, who has announced his candidacy for the unexpired term of the late U. S. Senator Carter Glass. Nominations will be made by convention to be held at Richmond, September 5.

To Practice Here



DR. H. B. PERRY, JR.

DR. PERRY OPENS OFFICES ON FIRST

Back From Naval Tour of Duty, Dr. H. B. Perry, Jr., to Open Medical Office

Dr. H. B. Perry, Jr., recently released from active duty as medical officer in the Navy, will open his office here in connection with that of his father, Dr. H. B. Perry, Sr., and Dr. R. H. Harmon, on September 1.

Dr. Perry was graduated from Wake Forest College and the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Prior to his service in the Navy he was resident physician in charge of obstetrics at Baltimore City Hospitals in Baltimore, Md., and an instructor in obstetrics at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He served as a medical officer aboard the navy transport USS West Point (AP-23) carrying troops from both Europe and Pacific areas.

Dr. Perry is a member of the Phi Chi Medical Fraternity, the Baltimore City Medical Society, the Medical faculty of the State of Maryland, and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Perry, Mrs. Perry, and their daughter Donna, will make their home in Boone.

List of Winners in Pet Show Are Given

A Pet Show, sponsored by "Red" Watkins and his Intramural class at Appalachian, was held on the college campus last Wednesday afternoon.

Five prizes were awarded. Little Miss Rachel Rivers was awarded the prize for the cutest pet; her entry being a coal-black and re-ribboned cocker spaniel pup named "Skippy". Peter Quincey, carrying a duck named "Tattle-Tale-Grey" carried off the unanimous decision of the judges for the "Ugliest" pet prize. Lawrence Barden, with a mother rabbit and a family of tiny baby rabbits, won the prize for the most "Unusual" pet.

There was a two way tie for the "Largest" pet prize, the honors being split by Johnny Yount with his Collie, "Sport," and Jimmy Cline with his Pointer, "Scalp." The prize for the "smallest" pet and the one that provoked the most interest and laughter during the show, was a tiny turtle named "Nicodemus" belonging to little Miss Linda Greene.

Other entering pets were: Kermit Dacus, Robert Busted, Nancy Winkler, Dempsey Wilcox, Lilly Lyons, Charles Winkler, Bobby Watkins, Maynard Tate, Buddy McGuire, Phil McGuire, Peter Quincey, Milton Barden, Helen Parker, Pansie Greene, Margaret Hendricks, Lawrence Barden, Marjorie South, Linda Greene, Johnny Yount, Diana Watkins, Rachel Rivers, J. W. Welborn and Jimmie Cline.

BIG POTATOES

Rev. Tipton Greene, of Boone, has presented to the Democrat three Sequoia potatoes, which weigh four pounds and ten ounces, which were grown in the garden of the popular local minister.

CONVICTED

Paris, France. — Three French Admirals were recently given sentences at hard labor and national degradation for life. They were accused of complicity in the self-destruction of the French Fleet at Toulon in 1942, shortly after the American Army invaded North Africa.

TO CLOSE MONDAY

The Watauga county library will be closed on Labor Day, September 2.

Miss Edmisten Wins In Contest By Merchants, Local Theatre

Miss Lilian Edmisten of Sugar Grove, N. C., was the winner of the prize in the contest recently conducted by the Boone Merchants Association and the Appalachian Theatre, for having submitted the best 50-word dissertation on "Why I Like to Live in Watauga County," and is being given a \$25 war bond and 20 free passes to the Appalachian Theatre.

Miss Edmisten's entry is as follows: "I love its simple but magni-

ficent beauty, its gentle, subdued quietness, its babbling brooks, and its rivers, where fishermen find a haven, its fresh invigorating air, its well kept towns, its splendid college, its mountains, forests, its abundant harvest and it's hope for another year." More than seventy-five letters were received in the contest, they were uniformly good and the judges were faced with quite a problem in determining who should receive the award.

FIVE HELD FOR AUTO ROBBERIES

Todd Men Bound to Court After Many Items Taken From Cars Found in Their Possession

Five men, of the Todd neighborhood have been indicted, on charges growing out of the pilfering of automobiles in Blowing Rock, and following hearings conducted by Manley J. Williams, Justice of the Peace, were bound to Superior court in bonds of \$1,000 each.

The men are listed as Coy Michael, Julian Ragan, Fred Parsons, Howard C. Lewis, and Austin Worth Lewis, and Patrolman C. M. Jones states they were apprehended last Wednesday evening, following a disturbance at a Blowing Rock resort. In their car, says officer Jones were found, automobile tools, cameras, flash lights, jacks, engineering instruments and various other articles, corresponding to those taken from a number of autos which had been entered at Blowing Rock.

Service Officer Will Aid Vets in Making Terminal Pay Claim

Lionel Ward, veterans service officer for Watauga county, says he has a supply of forms at his office for applications for payments to veterans under the terminal leave law, and that he will be glad to aid in filling these forms, providing notarial services, etc., without charge.

Mr. Ward advises all veterans that it will be necessary for them to bring certified or photostatic copies of their discharges when making their applications.

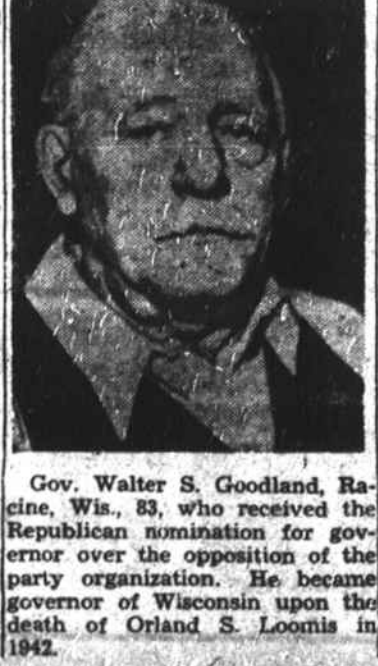
Accepts Position in Caldwell Schools

G. E. Tester, for the past three years principal of Bethel high school, this county, has accepted a position as supervisor of school bus transportation and driver education for the Caldwell county schools. Mr. Tester is moving his family to Lenoir where he has purchased a home. Mrs. Tester will teach English in the Gamewell high school, four miles from Lenoir.

BLOWING ROCK MAN GETS SEAMAN AWARD

Washington, Aug. 26—Two Tar Heel merchant seamen, wounded in action during the war, have been awarded the Mariners' Medal, Maritime Service equivalent of the Purple Heart, the War Shipping Administration announced Saturday. The two recipients of the award are Mallory J. Coffey, of Blowing Rock, and Alex R. Hines, of Sparta.

Oldest Governor



Gov. Walter S. Goodland, Racine, Wis., 83, who received the Republican nomination for governor over the opposition of the party organization. He became governor of Wisconsin upon the death of Orland S. Loomis in 1942.

SPEAKS AGAINST DIVERSION STATE HIGHWAY FUNDS

Petroleum Committee Executive Says Available Hundred Million Will Meet All Needs if Used Exclusively for Road Construction Program

S. Gilmer Sparger, executive secretary of the North Carolina Petroleum Industries committee, said Thursday evening that highway revenues are adequate to finance the state's most ambitious road building program over the next three-year period.

Lee H. Stout, chairman of the Watauga County Petroleum Industries committee, presiding at the gathering of local oil men, introduced the speaker.

Speaking before this group, an affiliate of the state organization, Mr. Sparger declared, "With the highway fund surplus already available and current gasoline tax revenues exceeding all previous estimates, North Carolina's road system can be improved and expanded to meet the most exacting needs of the state's motorists. The only thing necessary is to make sure by necessary legislation that these revenues are spent exclusively for road construction and maintenance. To do otherwise would not only be a travesty on good judgment and sound fiscal policy but a breach of trust with highway users who pay out annually millions of dollars in gasoline taxes for better roads and highways."

Basing his figures on reports of the state highway and public works commission and the U. S. public roads administration, he said that more than \$100,000,000 would be available for road construction and maintenance over the next three-year period. He explained that the major portion of this amount would come from the 6 cents per gallon road tax on gasoline, but would be supplemented by motor vehicle registration fees and federal aid. "With receipts from the gasoline tax mounting by leaps and bounds—already 25 per cent above the first quarter of 1941 for the same period of this year—our revenues from gasoline taxes are apt to be even more than the amount estimated. Furthermore, the many new cars which will be appearing on our highways will bring additional revenues from registration fees."

"From these figures," Mr. Sparger continued, "it is obvious that North Carolina can, as soon as equipment and trained personnel are available, embark on a sound and progressive highway program with the assurance that the high-

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Order For Dark Flour Revoked By Government

The government Friday night cancelled its order requiring "dark" bread and flour, effective Sept. 1.

The agriculture department announced that improved wheat supplies make it possible to end the order by which millers were required to convert 80 per cent of the wheat kernel into flour, instead of only 72 per cent as usual.

The order was designed to make more wheat available for shortage areas abroad at a time when world supplies of cereals were far short of needs.

However, an order limiting domestic distribution of flour to 87 per cent of last year's level will be continued indefinitely.

Hence, Friday's action changes the quality of the flour but not the quantity.

Dates Given On Hunting Season

The following hunting regulations and season openings for Watauga county in the hunting season of 1946-47 were announced this week by Walter Edmisten, county game warden: Opossum and raccoon, with gun and dog only, Oct. 15 through Feb. 15. Mink and muskrat, trapping, Dec. 1 through Feb. 1; quail, Nov. 28 through Jan. 31, bag limit, eight per day; rabbit, Nov. 28 through Jan. 31; squirrel, Sept. 15 through Dec. 15, bag limit, six per day; ruffed grouse, Nov. 28 through Jan. 1, bag limit two per day, ten for the season.

Plant nectar doesn't become honey until it has entered the stomach of a bee.