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IMPORTANT

The date on your address label shows the date your subscription will expire and the date your paper will be stopped unless sooner renewed. The Democrat is operating strictly on a cash in advance basis.

Mac and Ike



Ed Coffey, of Linville, N. C., cast and then chiseled out of ordinary concrete these likenesses of MacArthur and Eisenhower. A little paint finished up the job. Coffey's yard and house is littered with similar handiwork.

PRICE REVEALS REA PROGRESS

Election of a Board of Directors Features Meeting of Local Electric Cooperative

Lenoir, Sept. 16—Gwyn Price, Chairman of the North Carolina Rural Electrification authority, was the principal speaker at the ninth annual meeting of the Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation held here Saturday. Mr. Price reviewed the progress of REA in North Carolina and pointed out that when the program began there were only some 12,000 farm homes receiving electric current in the state, while today there are many times that number with additional thousands being added as quickly as materials become available.

Other business coming before the members included the election of a board of directors and the question of continuing the group purchase plan under which hundreds of farmers have been able to obtain electric appliances at cost. The existing board of directors was re-elected and of the six thousand members of the Blue Ridge Cooperative, only 23 offered opposition to the group purchase plan.

Several prizes including an electric refrigerator, were given to the members present, the refrigerator being won by Homer Bolick of Bailey Camp.

RECORD NUMBER AT APPALACHIAN

Enrollment May Reach 900 By The End Of The Week; Many GI's Enroll.

Eight hundred and fifty students have been enrolled at Appalachian State Teachers College for the fall term, perhaps establishing a record at the local institution, it is announced from the office of Dean J. D. Rankin.

Dr. Rankin is predicting that the enrollment figures will reach 900 by the end of the week, to surpass that of any other year in the history of the college. The number of veterans, it is explained, is almost as great as last year's total student body. About 425 G. I.'s are now enrolled, the total enrollment a year ago being less than 500.

The freshman class now numbers 340. Registration will be open through the week, although regular class work began last Thursday.

Oct. 5 Deadline for G. I. Bill of Rights

It has been announced by Sgt. Francis M. Darcy, commander of the U. S. Army Recruiting Station in Lenoir, that October 5, 1946, is the deadline for all who wish to gain the benefits of the G. I. Bill of Rights.

In the past, hundreds of thousands of intelligent young men finishing high school each year have been unable to afford a higher education. Today enlistment in the Regular Army makes that opportunity available to every high school senior who has the necessary mental and physical qualifications.

Many other benefits and advantages can be gained under the G. I. Bill of Rights. Every American should know the valuable provisions of this Bill. They help place your Regular Army on the highest plane of any other army on earth, with advanced study, training and travel at good pay in a career of high duty and responsibility. No one can afford not to know what he can gain by the G. I. Bill of Rights.

Visit the Recruiting Station at the Post Office Building in Lenoir and find out just what benefits and advantages you are offered.

The Recruiting Station is open every day from 8:00 a. m. until 5:00 p. m. and a staff of competent personnel is on duty to answer any question you might have.

BROUGHTON WILL SPEAK AT LOCAL FARMERS PICNIC

Former Governor to Deliver Address to Members of Farm Bureau and Others on September 28; Picnic Dinner, Other Events Planned

Former Governor J. M. Broughton will deliver the principal address at the farmers picnic being arranged by the Watauga Farm Bureau, and which will be held Saturday, Sept. 28th, it is stated by Clyde R. Greene, president of the organization.

Governor Broughton will speak at 3:30 o'clock, following the picnic dinner, and if the weather permits the event is to be held on Winkler's Creek. Otherwise the event will take place at the Mountain Burley Warehouse on Queen street.

Every farm family in the county is urged to bring its own picnic basket and participate in the entertainment features which are being worked out and will be published in the next edition of the local newspaper.

The picnic is in line with the membership campaign conducted this month by the Farm Bureau, in which 485 members are being sought. Officials state that the effort is meeting with success and that indications are the goal will be reached.

GRAND JURORS FINISH DUTIES

Jury Discharged by Court Late Tuesday After Making Usual Report

The grand jury finished its work late Tuesday and was discharged after making its report to Judge Allen H. Gwyn in Watauga superior court. The report, which was signed by Mack A. Cowles as foreman, and D. P. Wyke, secretary, follows:

We the grand jury for the September term superior court, Watauga county, beg to submit the following report:

We have examined and acted on all bills presented to us. We have examined the office of clerk of court, register of deeds, county commissioner, county accountant and tax collector, and find them all kept in good order.

The county home has been discontinued and the inmates have been placed in care of Dave P. Mast, superintendent of public welfare, and are being well taken care of.

All guardians of minor heirs have made satisfactory reports to the clerk of superior court.

The following repairs to county buildings are recommended: 1. The plaster in the county home building needs repairing. Also the plumbing for two bath tubs in the same building. There are also three window lights that need to be replaced. 2. Two window lights need to be replaced in the clerk of court's office and one in the tax collector's office. 3. One water cutoff valve needs replacing in the county jail. 4. All other offices and the prison camp are well kept and in good condition.

Mayor Winkler at Meeting Municipal League Last Week

Mayor Gordon H. Winkler, Mrs. Winkler and daughters, Anna Boyce and Barbara, were in Asheville last week, where the local official attended the 37th session of the North Carolina League of Municipalities.

Mayor Winkler is a member of the league's legislative committee and states that a full program was passed upon for the 1947 assembly session. The league is on record, says Mayor Winkler, as strongly recommending a pay-as-you-go policy for towns at this time, and is strongly against issuance of new bonds under present unsettled conditions.

Jonathan Robert Miller Dies at State Hospital

Jonathan Robert Miller died at State Hospital, Morganton, on Sept. 17th, at the age of 62 years. Funeral services were held at the Howard's Creek Baptist Church Tuesday, Sept. 10, by Rev. E. C. Hodges and interment was in the family cemetery.

The widow, Mrs. Hattie Miller, survives, together with the following sons and daughters: Mrs. Roscoe Greer, David, Blaine, Blanche and Lillian Miller, Boone; Mrs. Ernest Best, Pearl, Ohio; Jake Miller, Corveth, N. C.; and Calvin Miller, Avery, Idaho.

United States planes in farewell to Greece spell out "F.D.R."

To Speak Here



FORMER GOV. BROUGHTON

PLANS MADE FOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

Local Livestock Association Sponsors Showing Purebred Stock Here

Initial plans have been made by the Watauga Livestock Association for showing of thoroughbred livestock at the Mountain Burley Warehouse near the bus station on October 11.

County Agent L. E. Tuckwiller says that ribbons will be given winners in each class, and that breeders are urged to enter as many animals as possible under one or more of the following classifications:

Beef Cattle (Each breed shown separately)

Bull calf, under one year.
Bull, over one year and under three.

Bull, over two years and under three.
Bull, over three years.
Pair of bulls, any age.

Heifer calf, under one year.
Heifer, over one year and under three.

Cow, over two years and under three.
Cow, over three years.

Pair of females, any age.
Pair of calves, bull and heifer.
Pair of one or two year olds, bull and heifer.

Get of sire, three animals, both sexes.
Champion bull.
Champion female.

Dairy Cattle (Each breed shown separately)

Bull, three years old or over.
Bull, two years old and under three.

Bull, senior yearling.
Bull, junior yearling.
Bull, senior calf.
Bull, junior calf.

Cow, four years old or over.
Cow, three years old and under four.

Cow or heifer, two years old and under three.
Heifer, senior yearling.
Heifer, junior yearling.
Heifer, senior calf.
Heifer, junior calf.

Get of Sire.
Champion bull.
Champion female.

Horses (All breeds)

Team, over 1300 pounds.
Team, under 1300 pounds.
Single horse, over 1300 pounds.
Single horse, under 1300 pounds.

Sheep (Each breed shown separately)

Rams, under one year.
Rams, over one year.
Ewes, under one year.
Ewes, over one year.
Pens, two ram lambs.
Pens, two ewe lambs.

Charles W Moody Succumbs at 86

Charles Wesley Moody, 86 years old, died at the home in the Globe neighborhood of Caldwell county on Sept. 5.

Funeral services were conducted on the 6th by Rev. R. L. Isbell, Lenoir; Rev. S. E. Gragg, Shulls Mills, and Rev. E. F. Troutman of Boone, and interment was in the White cemetery, in the home neighborhood.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Fannie Greene Moody; three sons and three daughters: Arthur Moody, Been Moody, Blowing Rock; U. E. Moody, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock; Mrs. J. B. Reid, Shulls Mills; Mrs. B. K. Jenkins, Bristol, Tenn. There is one brother, Grant Moody, Street, Md., and a sister, Mrs. Julia McLean, lives in Washington. There are 32 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

P-T. A. To Have "Pitch-in" Supper

On Monday, September 23, at 7:00 p. m. the members of the Boone Parent-Teachers Association will entertain at a covered dish supper at the high school cafeteria. All parents and friends of the high school and the elementary school are cordially invited to attend the supper and become better acquainted with the members of the faculties of both schools.

MOUNTAINEERS MEET FIRST TEST HERE SATURDAY

Appalachian Football Aggregation Gives Unusual Promise as They Make Ready to Tangle With Newberry on Local Field

The Mountaineers of Appalachian State Teachers College, with four weeks of hard practice under their cleats, appear to have one of the finest teams fielded at the Boone school in many years. They face their initial test Saturday, September 21, when they tangle with the Newberry Indians of South Carolina. Billy Laval, head coach of the Indians, has tasted defeat at the hands of the Mountaineers in their five previous meetings and will bring the finest team he has ever had into Boone next Saturday to end this record.

Head Coach Flucie Stewart, assisted by E. C. Duggins and Francis Hoover, has a fine array of fast and shifty backs behind one of the most rugged lines in the school's history to throw at the homefolks the same brand of football that the Brewer-Stewart combination produced in the late thirties. Already, casual observers at the practice sessions are comparing Johnny Hollars, 205-pound hard-driving halfback, to Len Wilson, Little All-American scoring ace, who drew fans from surrounding states to watch his sensational running. Both boys are natives of Boone and further the little town's reputation as the producer of great athletes.

The Stewartmen also boast the services of Art Spoltore, a brainy quarterback who runs like a (Continued on page 8)

DR. W. J. LOVE TAKEN BY DEATH

Widely-Known Retired Physician of Sugar Grove Succumbs to Long Illness

Dr. W. J. Love, 74 years of age, died on September 1, at the home at Sugar Grove after an illness of several months. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. R. J. Starling and Rev. W. C. Payne Interment was in the family cemetery with Reins-Sturdivant in charge.

Dr. Love, who was a son of the late James and Emmaline Pennington Love, received his education in Knoxville, Tenn. For many years he practiced his profession in both Watauga and Avery counties. Ill health forced him to retire in 1936.

He is survived by the widow, three sons, Howard, Edward and Clyde, and a daughter, Jennie, of Sugar Grove. The following three sisters also survive: Mrs. Elmore Bingham Sherwood, Mrs. Harvey Bingham, Sherwood, and Mrs. Abner Cook, Sugar Grove.

SAM J. ERVIN TO SPEAK SATURDAY

Tenth District Congressman to Keynote Democratic County Convention

Congressman Sam J. Ervin of Morganton, tenth district representative, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address at the Democratic county convention which will be held at the courthouse next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, it is revealed by W. R. Winkler, chairman of the Democratic executive committee.

Congressman Ervin is known as an able and entertaining speaker and the committee feels fortunate in having been able to procure his services on this occasion. Congressman Robert L. Dougherty, is said, will likely be present, and James C. Farthing of Lenoir, Democratic nominee for the solicitorship, is expected to attend. The convention will name a full slate of candidates for the various county offices.

State Service Officer To Aid Local Vets

Mr. J. C. Winchester, Assistant State Service Officer, will be in the office of Lionel Ward, county service officer, Friday, September 20. Any veterans or dependants of veterans who have problems, are invited to see Mr. Winchester at this time.

NEW WARSHIPS

The U. S. Navy has disclosed that the 45,000-ton battleship Kentucky and the 27,000-ton battle-cruiser Hawaii, would be guided missile warships, the world's first atomic age capital ships armed with main batteries of robot rockets instead of guns. Both ships were begun as conventional design vessels, but construction was halted when rocket and atomic bombs of the final phase of World War II marked the advent of a new day in warfare.

HEAD G. O. P. COUNTY TICKET



SHERIFF C. M. WATSON, RIGHT, AND REPRESENTATIVE S. C. EGERS, WHO WERE UNANIMOUSLY CHOSEN AS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES TO SUCCEED THEMSELVES, IN THE CONVENTION OF THEIR PARTY HELD HERE SATURDAY AFTERNOON.



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Sheriff C. M. Watson, right, and Representative S. C. Eggers, who were unanimously chosen as Republican candidates to succeed themselves, in the convention of their party held here Saturday afternoon.

Sheriff Watson Nominated, Eggers Gets Approval, As Republicans Name State For November Election

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LOCAL BAND TO STAGE PARADE

Hi School Band to Have Pep Rally for Football Team Meeting For Friday

On Thursday, Sept. 19, at 2:45 p. m., the high school band will stage a pep rally for the high school football team which plays at Cranberry on Friday afternoon.

The band will parade through town starting at the high school and going to Smith's store, then back through town to the high school. The student body of the high school will follow the band in the parade.

The purpose of the parade is threefold: to show an appreciation to the merchants and all organizations of Boone for the new uniforms and equipment which they have enabled the band and football team to get; to arouse interest in the Cranberry football game and to give the town an opportunity to see the high school student body.

LIONS CLUB HEARS OF AID TO BLIND

Civic Group Hears of Success of Sight Conservation and Welfare Work

The Boone Lions Club in regular session Tuesday evening, heard of the success of sight conservation and health and welfare work in North Carolina and Watauga county.

The program, in charge of the sight and conservation committee, Lion W. M. Burwell, chairman, and the health and welfare committee, Lion W. M. Matheson, chairman, was comprised of reviews of achievement in public health and sight conservation. Mrs. Opal Clawson of the county health department, outlined plans of the department for the year. Eye clinics will check the vision of each child in the schools of Watauga county. Tuberculosis clinics and venereal disease clinics will be held. Health and sanitation are being taught in all the schools of the county, Mrs. Clawson said.

Miss Christine Anderson, representative of the State Commission for the Blind, reviewed the achievement of Lions Clubs in this commendable work for the rehabilitation of the blind in North Carolina. Miss Anderson praised the Boone club for its outstanding work in Watauga county.

Miss Hazel Triplett, special case worker for the blind in Watauga and neighboring counties, reviewed her work in this area. Guests for the evening included: Miss Eugene Trivette of North Wilkesboro; Prof. Ben Simpson, Appalachian high school; E. Ford King, Boone, and Mrs. W. M. Burwell, Boone.

The next meeting of the club will be ladies night.

County Library to Be Closed Next Week

The county library will be closed next week, September 23 to October 1, while it is being moved to the county building next to the courthouse.

COFFE

The nickel cup of coffee is here to stay, according to the OPA, which announces that, although coffee has gone up by from ten to thirteen cents a pound, there will be no corresponding increase for each cup.

LOVE MAY GO ON TRIAL TODAY FOR POTTER DEATH

Only Homicide Case of Fall Superior Court Term May Be Taken Up Wednesday; Many Cases Are Disposed of in First Day of Court

Stanley Love of Boone, may go on trial late this afternoon in Watauga superior court on a charge of homicide, growing out of the death of Charles Potter, following an altercation between the two men at a point near W. R. Lovill's residence here last spring. At least, Solicitor Townsend gave notice that the case would not be called before 2 o'clock today, and there was some indication in court circles that the trial would not begin until Thursday morning.

Meantime, many cases involving the commission of misdemeanors have been handled, and at the recess of court late Tuesday, Judge Allen H. Gwyn had passed judgment in about 75 per cent of the cases on the criminal docket, and it was thought that the business of the court would be pretty well completed by Friday.

Following are the judgments of the court as passed during the first two days:

Burette Presnell, non-support, one-half, the cost.

Tom Snyder, simple assault, taxed with the cost.

Floyd H. Triplett, driving drunk, \$50 and the cost.

Bill Bumgarner, violating prohibition laws, \$100 and the cost.

Carl Presnell, breaking and entering, assault on officer, committed to veterans' hospital, Roanoke, Va., for mental treatment.

Coolidge Potter, Roy Reece and Paul Ellison, larceny of an automobile, the property of Dr. H. B. Perry of Boone. Six months on the roads. An additional 12 months suspended during probation period.

Hobart South, carrying concealed weapon, \$50 and the cost.

Walter Winebarger, reckless driving, costs.

Roy Oliver, violation prohibition laws, cost.

Burl Napier, violation prohibition law, cost.

Homer A. Cox, violation prohibition law, cost.

Robert S. Milan, violation prohibition law, cost.

Harrison Moretz, violation prohibition law, cost.

Fred C. Townsend, driving drunk, \$50 and cost.

Herbert Pritchard, driving drunk, \$50 and cost.

Thos. N. Adams, driving drunk, \$50 and cost.

Ira G. Reece, driving drunk, \$50 and cost.

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MRS. CORPENING DIES IN MISSOURI

Former Miss Callie Winkler of Boone, Succumbs Sept. 4 at Age of 78 Years

Camdenton, Mo.—Wednesday, Sept. 4, after a brief illness, Mrs. Callie Winkler Corpening, 78, passed away quietly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James H. Banner, with whom she had been living for many years.

The daughter of Joshua and Carolyn Pierce Winkler, Mrs. Corpening was born Dec. 28, 1867, one of ten children, at Boone, N. C., and was married to I. N. Corpening of Blowing Rock, N. C., on June 5, 1894. Of this union two children were born. At Blowing Rock they operated the first hotel built at that now famous resort. In 1906, the family moved from North Carolina to a farm in Camden county, Mo., where they lived for a number of years and contributed to the religious welfare of the community by fostering a Sunday school and were later among the first members of the first Baptist church to be organized there. They moved to Old Linn Creek in 1913. It was there that Mrs. Corpening lost her companion, June 26, 1926. She was at that time making her home with her daughter, Mrs. James H. Banner, and moved with her to Camden when the county seat was moved.

Mrs. Corpening was a member of the First Baptist Church of Camden, and of the Order of the Eastern Star of which she was a past matron.

Survivors are her two children, Mrs. James H. Banner of Camden, and Albert N. Corpening of Bedford, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. J. D. Council of Boone, N. C., and Mrs. R. B. Estes, Canastota, Alberta, Canada; two grandchildren, Elizabeth and Bert Corpening; and a host of other friends and relatives.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church Friday afternoon at 2:30 with her pastor, Rev. Ralph Blair, in charge, and with Rev. Robert Shank and Rev. E. F. Shank, assisting. Interment was at the side of her husband in the Old Linn Creek cemetery.

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Representative S. C. Eggers won the unanimous endorsement of the Republican county convention last Saturday and will head the ticket this fall as his party's choice for the lower house of the general assembly, while Sheriff C. M. Watson, incumbent, won his party's nomination to succeed himself by acclamation, as the local majority party slated a full ticket for the November 5th election.

Fred Gragg of Boone, was named as candidate for clerk of the superior court on the first ballot. Mr. Gragg, a son of the late W. R. Gragg and Mrs. Gragg of Boone, is a veteran of the last world war.

Jack Storie, of Boone, another war veteran, was nominated by acclamation for surveyor.

Richard E. Kelley, local mortician, was endorsed for coroner.

H. O. Aldridge and A. G. Miller, incumbent commissioners, were nominated on the first ballot, as was R. M. Ward, who takes the place of incumbent Chairman W. M. Winkler.

W. H. Gragg presided at the convention which was largely attended, while O. L. Coffey and Dr. A. P. Kephart acted as secretaries.

Paul Swanson, Republican candidate for the state senate from the twenty-ninth district, spoke to the convention, gave a sketch of his life by way of introduction, and gave the highlights of his campaign platform, as follows:

Advocated improved secondary roads, with pay hikes for highway workers; better pay for teachers, better school buildings, encouragement of outside factories to locate here, promote tourist trade, and expressed his favor of a state bonus for veterans ranging from \$10 to \$20 per month.

Mr. Swanson asked for better law enforcement with emphasis on highway safety, and touched on national affairs with mention of the meat shortage, and other shortages, allegedly produced by ceilings.

Representative S. C. Eggers spoke briefly, as did Fred Gragg, W. H. Gragg and Dr. Kephart made brief speeches asking for party harmony during the campaign.

Vets Who Lost Legs Being Given Autos

Lionel Ward, veteran service officer, has forms on hand for veterans who have lost one or both legs to apply for automobiles, which are being given them, under an act recently passed by Congress.

Mr. Ward says that such veterans must get a license from the state to operate said car and safety the officials of his ability to operate same.

Those who can qualify for the benefits mentioned should contact Mr. Ward for necessary information and forms.

EXPANSION

Exclusive of agriculture, American business anticipates spending approximately \$3,200,000,000 for new plants and equipment during the third quarter of this year, compared with planned expenditures of \$2,900,000,000 for the second quarter, according to a combined report of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Department of Commerce.

Monarchy is rejected by the Bulgarians by 92 per cent of vote.