

The date on your address label shows the date your subscription will expire...

An Independent Weekly Newspaper—Established in the Year 1888.

VOL. LIX, NO. 42

BOONE, WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 1947

FIVE CENTS A COPY

RED CROSS FUND GROWS SLOWLY IN THIS COUNTY

Bad Weather Continues to Hamper Activities During Last Week; More Than \$400 Reported; Some Late Contributors

Snowy weather, persisting over the week-end, continued to slow down the annual canvass for the Red Cross Roll Call campaign.

- Boone-Clyde R. Greene Worker: Gordon Winkler 3.00, O. L. Scruggs 2.00, A. C. Shoemaker 1.00, Mrs. Ruby Ellis 1.00, Carl Teague 1.00, Mrs. Mae Miller 5.00, Southern Bell Tel. and Telephone Company 1.00, John Hodges, Sr. 25.00, Snow Masonic Lodge No. 353 25.00, Farmers Hardware Company 100.00, Mountain Burley Warehouse 100.00.

- County Building—Mrs. John D. Clason, Worker: Mrs. Amelia Greer 3.00, Mrs. W. E. Lovill 1.00, Lionel Ward 1.00, Mrs. John D. Clason 1.00, Mrs. Maude Ungle 1.00, Dave P. Mast 2.00, Robert R. King, Jr. 4.00, Mrs. R. D. Hodges, Jr. 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tuckwiler 4.00, H. L. Shepherd 1.00, Annie Smith 1.00, Howard Walker 1.00, Helen Lyons 1.00, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Richardson 2.00, Alma Hodges 1.00, Betty Watkinson 1.00, C. H. Kirkman, Jr. 1.00, Valle Crucis Community—W. M. Mast, Worker: Claude Baird 1.00, C. A. Church 1.00, Lee Michael 1.00, Thos. Matheson 1.00, Frank Taylor 2.00, Wilma Baird 1.00, Carrel Tester 1.00, T. C. Baird 5.00.

WORK ON LOCKER PLANT TO START

Bad Weather Delays Start of Work on New Enterprise to April 1

Mr. Jim Coad of Southern Frozen Food Lockers, Inc., Raleigh, advises Mr. H. W. Wilcox of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, that work on the city's new frozen food locker plant has been delayed by the cold weather.

Mr. Wilcox is also in receipt of a letter from Mr. W. H. Dameron of Dallas, Texas, who is to be the owner of the new plant. He says: "I want to thank you for your co-operation on my recent trip to Boone with Mr. Coad. We wanted to meet with some of your citizens and determine if it would be feasible to build a locker plant there at this time. You already know our decision. In fact, we are planning to make it somewhat larger than we first anticipated, because of the interest shown by the people there."

Tax Cutting Controversy Rages Again

Washington—The congressional tax cutting controversy broke out again Tuesday as Chairman Knutson (R. Minn.), announced that the house ways and means committee will open hearings Thursday on his bill calling for a 20 per cent "across the board" slash.

Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder was called as the first witness and is expected to support President Truman's position, given to congress in a January message. This is that taxes should not be cut now and any treasury surplus should be used to begin payment of the \$280,000,000,000 national debt.

Knutson's bill calls for a 20 per cent reduction in the levy on incomes of 45,000,000 taxpayers with the relief retroactive to Jan. 1. It would reduce the tax load by about \$3,500,000,000.

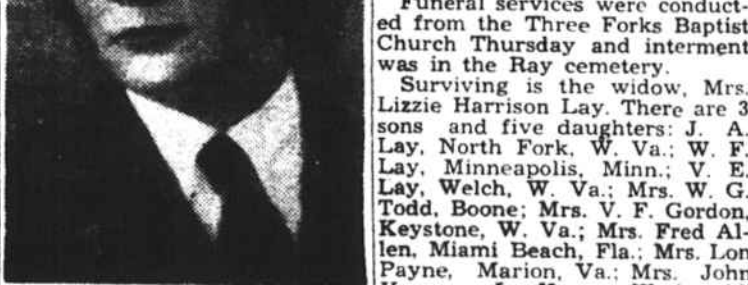
House Bank Paying Off in Part



The non-profit house of representatives' bank recently reopened for business \$125,563 in the hole. The bank opened paying its congressmen-clients 75 cents on every dollar they have on deposit.

At Walter Reed JOHN G. LAY DEAD AT AGE 94

John G. Lay, prominent citizen of the Bamboo section, died at the home on Tuesday of last week, from an extended illness, at the age of 94 years.



LT DARE A. MALTBA

Lieut. Dare Maltba Assigned to Hospital in Washington City

Washington, Feb. 28.—First Lieutenant Dare A. Maltba, Army Nurse Corps, has assumed duties at Walter Reed General Hospital, it has been announced by Brig. Gen. George C. Beach, Jr., Commanding General of the hospital and the Army Medical center.

Appalachian Athletic Association Tourney Is Now in Progress

The Appalachian High School Association of Ashe, Avery and Watauga counties, opened its annual basketball tournament this (Wednesday afternoon) at 1 o'clock, and the following games will take place tonight: Boys' pairing: Riverview vs. Cranberry 7 o'clock; West Jefferson vs. Bethel, 8; Boone vs. Nathan's Creek 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Greene Acquire Fashion Shop

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Greene have purchased the local retail store known as the Fashion Shop from Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hunt.

Summary of Happenings in State Legislature During Past Week

At the close of the 51st legislative day, 242 bills and resolutions had been introduced in the Senate, and 620 in the House, for a total of 862, which is just 199 short of the 1,061 introduced during the same period in 1945. Of the 862 bills, only 124 were introduced during the first 5 days of the past week, as compared to 181 during the comparable 5 days of the 1945 session.

CHARTER GIVEN FOR OPERATION RADIO STATION

Watauga Broadcasting Company of Boone Will Operate Station in This City; Facilities Will Be Subject to Expansion; FM May Be Used Later

The Secretary of State has granted a charter to the Watauga Broadcasting Co., of Boone, under the terms of which the corporation may own and operate or lease and operate, one or more radio wireless broadcasting stations, as well as do a general wholesale and retail business in radio equipment, supplies and accessories.

It is stated that application will be made through the proper channels for the erection of one of the most modern and well equipped broadcasting stations in this section of the country. The facilities provided will be subject to expansion, and will likely result in the future use of the FM frequencies.

The incorporators of the Watauga Broadcasting Company are Messrs H. Grady Farthing, Clyde R. Greene, M. R. Maddux, L. H. Smith, and H. W. Wilcox. Thus Boone and Watauga county take another step forward looking toward serving not only the local institutions but the great throngs of summer visitors who come to the area each year.

Local School Boosts Price of Lunches

Starting March 15, the Federal government will stop subsidizing all school lunch rooms in North Carolina. In order to keep the lunch rooms open, it will be necessary for them to be entirely self-supporting and in an effort to do this, the price of lunches have been increased from 15 to 20 cents for the month of March.

During the first two weeks of March, the schools will get federal aid and thus will be able to keep the price at 20 cents during the month. The nine cents per child which the government has been giving to each school has run out because of the fact that the state certified so many more schools to take part in the lunch program during this year than they did last year, and no additional funds will be forthcoming from the federal government.

Snow Gives Way to Springlike Weather in Mountain Section

Protracted snows gave way to springlike weather in this area over the week-end, travel has returned to normal, and all the schools of the county are functioning with usual attendance after having been closed for more than a week by the snow.

The first of the week brought temperatures in the thirties and remains of the big snowfall are rapidly disappearing from the streets and roadways.

Records Fall as Price of Wheat Climbs

Chicago, March 12.—The price of cash wheat, the article from which bread is made, yesterday pushed to \$2.80 a bushel, the highest in 27 years, as dealers questioned the nation's ability to deliver enough wheat to meet the needs of war prostrated nations.

S. C. Will Vote On Lifting Of Ban On Divorce

Columbia, S. C.—A 1948 general election vote on the question of lifting the 52-year-old South Carolina ban on divorce appeared almost certain Tuesday with final senate passage of a joint resolution to submit the proposed amendment.

Sidewalk Justice for Jaywalkers



Police Judge Kenneth C. Newell, Pasadena, Calif., holding court on an improvised "bench" in front of the post office. Jaywalkers were hauled before the court for lecturing and sentence. This was part of a traffic safety campaign.

KY. CHOIR WILL APPEAR IN CITY

Acappella Choir of Bowling Green to Be On Appalachian Series Next Friday

For the sixth number in the artist series, Appalachian State Teachers College will present on Friday evening, March 14, at 8 o'clock, the Acappella Choir of Bowling Green State University. The director, James Paul Kennedy, Ph.D. has distinguished himself as a conductor, pianist, organist, arranger, composer, teacher of voice and piano, and a collector of antiques.

RURAL CARRIER ENDS 34 YEARS

Thomas Holloway Retires From Postal Service; Started in Horse and Buggy Days

Thomas I. Holloway, Sr., R. F. D. carrier at Shulls Mills, retired Feb. 28, after 34 years in government service. A veteran of World War I, he served as assistant postmaster at Blowing Rock before being appointed rural letter carrier.

DR. GREER WILL SPEAK TO C. OF C.

New Officers to Be Elected at Ladies' Night Meeting of Chamber of Commerce

Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, will be the principal speaker at the ladies' night meeting of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, which is to be held on March 25, it is stated by H. W. Wilcox, president, and the detailed program for the meeting is being formulated.

SERIES OF ROBBERIES OCCUR IN COUNTY DURING PAST WEEK

Pat's Grill, Perkinsville; A. G. Miller's Store, Deep Gap, and Carl Henson's store at Vilas, were entered and robbed on Thursday night of last week, according to Highway Patrolman M. C. Jones, who states that small amounts of cash were taken at each place, and Pat McGuire, owner of Pat's Grill, believes that cigarettes and other merchandise taken from his place probably amounted to \$100. Officers have been unable to find any clues as to the identity of the robbers who evidently committed the series of robberies on their way through the county on highway 421.

WOMEN TO SERVE ON LOCAL JURY FOR FIRST TIME

Commissioners Act to Comply With Constitutional Amendment Giving Women Jury Rights; Three Selected for April Court Term

For the first time in history, women will serve on the jury at the spring term of Watauga superior court next month, and three local ladies have been selected to be the first to perform this important duty.

The three local women who have been selected for the jury are Mrs. Nora Brovhill, Boone; Mrs. J. Wayne Harmon, Laurel Creek township, and Mrs. C. P. Moore of Watauga township.

The two weeks term of superior court will convene in Boone on April 21, with resident Judge Wilson Warlick of Newton, presiding.

Following is a list, by townships, of those who are being summoned for jury duty:

- Boone: Ben H. Moody, Roby Coffey, Clyde Downs, A. B. Craig, Mrs. Nora Brovhill, Blowing Rock; Dock Isaacs, James Cole, W. Reeves Holman, Cove Creek; Leonard Carroll, Albert Greer, Elk; Albert T. Watson, Mrs. J. Wayne Harmon, Vance Harmon, Laurel Creek; Lawrence Norris, D. B. Ragan, Grady G. Moretz, Meat Camp; Sam S. South, Will Wallace, North Fork; Spencer Watson, Carson Mastin, Ira Townsend, Shawneehaw; Walter M. Greene, Wallace Greene, Clyde C. Ray, Stony Fork; Byron White, L. R. Earp, Clyde Harmon, Ernest White, Watauga; Burl Hartley, Ernest Vannoy, New River.

Second Week: J. E. Clay Boone; Blaine Idol, Meat Camp; Mrs. C. P. Moore, Watauga; Green Michael, Shawneehaw; Waldo Tugman, Meat Camp; Charlie Mast, Laurel Creek; Albert Watson, Boone; Leonard Glenn, Laurel Creek; Archie Wilson, North Fork; D. P. Miller, New River; Joe Moody, Brushy Fork; Clarence A. Price, Boone; Ira Scott, Beaver Dam; Arthur J. Wheeler, Elk; Geo. W. Robinson, Beaver Dam; Clyde Dula, Watauga; Edward Moody, Blowing Rock; Arville J. Miller, Stony Fork; Spencer Storie, Blue Ridge; Jas. Allen, Shawneehaw; Jerry O. Harrison, Blue Ridge; Joe Cowles, New River; W. H. Shull, Laurel Creek.

OVER 55 MILLION IN CIVILIAN JOBS

About 55,000,000 persons were employed in civilian jobs in February, a small gain over January due to an increase in farm work that more than offset a drop in industrial employment, the census reports.