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JOE HUFFMAN NEW HEAD OF RETAIL GROUP

Board of Directors of Merchants Association Name Slate of Officers at Meeting Monday; Number of Standing Committees Named

Mr. Joe Huffman, local grocer, was named president of the Boone Merchants Association at a meeting of the board of directors of the organization held last Monday, and will succeed Grady Tugman, who served during the past year. Bob Agle was named vice-president, while Mrs. Ruby Ellis will continue as secretary. Clyde R. Greene, of the Boone Association, is a member of the State Board of Directors.

The new directors are: Dr. G. K. Moore, chairman; R. D. Hodges, Guy Hunt, W. W. Chester, C. C. Cooke, T. M. Greer, R. E. Kelley, Ivey Wilson, D. L. Wilcox, W. H. Gragg and Bob Agle.

The following committees were appointed to serve during the coming year:

Finance: Alfred Adams, chairman; Richard E. Kelley, Paul Winkler, Woodrow Greene.

Legislative: Dr. C. H. Mock, chairman; W. R. Winkler, Paul Coffey, Howard Cottrell.

Membership: R. E. Agle, chairman; Ivey Wilson, B. W. Stallings, Jones Hollars.

Trade Promotion: Rob Rivers, chairman; G. H. Phillips, Clyde R. Greene, Howard Shore.

Transportation: J. Conn, chairman; H. C. Cochran, J. C. Cline, D. O. Ray.

Tobacco: W. H. Gragg, chairman; Grady Tugman, Dwight Edmisten, June Russell.

CITY SCHOOLS BEGIN TUESDAY

Appalachian High and Demonstration Schools Start Year; Information to Parents

Boone Demonstration School and Appalachian High will open September 2, at 9 o'clock. Pupils who plan to enter, are requested to be present on the first day so permanent classes and schedules may be set up. State text books are issued according to enrollment, therefore, it is necessary to come the first day. Final request for books will be made up at that time.

Parents who did not bring children to the pre-school clinic last spring, may register first grade children on Tuesday, September 2, at 9 o'clock. A parent will accompany the child and give the first grade teacher all information that is necessary. Please remember that a child must be 6 years of age by October 1, to enroll in the public schools of North Carolina. Special requests to enroll children that will not be 6 by October 1, becomes embarrassing to the parent, to the child, and to the school administrators.

Last spring a number of high school and elementary children, who live in and near Boone, damaged the demonstration school building by throwing rocks and balls through the windows. Some of these persons have come by the office and made adjustments for the damages. There are still some who have not done so. This building is public property. The business manager of the college and the principal of the schools seek the cooperation of the parents and children in an effort to stop this damage.

The damaged property and lights have been replaced by the college as this building is owned by the state. It is hoped that this will not occur again. The business manager of the college is offering a reward of \$5 to anyone who furnishes proof of any further damages. If lights in the future are accidentally broken out, the person or persons should report immediately and pay for the damages, otherwise, the natural procedure will be to let the law enforcement agencies handle the situation.

Good faculties have been secured and the authorities look forward to a good school year. The interest and cooperation of the public is solicited.

Trout Fishing To End Next Sunday

The trout fishing season comes to a close next Sunday, August 31, says District Game Protector Walter F. Edmisten, who comments that the season has been most successful.

Mr. Edmisten takes occasion to thank the fishermen and the land owners for their cooperation, and solicits their further help during the closed season.

May Head Va.



Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley (above), chief of the Veterans Administration medical service, may succeed Gen. Omar Bradley as administrator if the latter becomes army chief of staff upon Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's retirement.

COTTRELL NEW FIRE CHIEF

Joe Crawford Resigns as Head of the Fire Department; Building Permits Required

Joe Crawford, who has served capacity as fire chief for several years has tendered his resignation and the city council announced the appointment of Howard Cottrell as head of the fire department and also the building inspector.

People of the community are reminded that henceforth a building permit will be required when new buildings are started or when remodeling is planned. Those intending to do such work should get in touch with Mr. Cottrell before construction is started.

Winners in Second Annual Pet Show Are Chosen Friday

Seventeen children of the community entered pets in the second annual pet show, which was held on the college campus Friday afternoon, under the direction of Coach R. W. Watkins, and the following first place winners were designated by the judges:

The largest pet, a horse, was shown by Anna Boyce Winkler; the smallest pet was shown by Milton Barden, with goldfish and turtle. The cutest pet, a toy terrier, was entered by Billy Crawley; the best groomed pet were two baby rabbits shown by Lawrence Barden; the cutest pets were adjudged to be a pair of trained ground hogs, shown by Robert Manus; the ugliest pet, a bird dog, was entered by Phil McGuire; the prettiest pet, a cocker spaniel, was shown by Jane Rivers. The most outstanding pets were a ground hog, shown by Billy Hodges, and a pony, entered by Sonny Keplar.

AAA Acts to Aid Farmers of County In Grain Shortage

In view of the present shortage in the corn crop and a prospective shortage in grain feed this winter, the Watauga county AAA committee has been authorized to approve an increase in the minimum assistance to farms to the extent that payment may be made for establishing or improving five acres or less for permanent pasture. Payment may also be made in excess of the minimum assistance for seeding annual ryegrass for pasturing livestock.

Grasses recommended for seeding and re-seeding permanent pastures are: bluegrass, orchard grass, red top, Korean lespedeza, white clover, alsike clover and ladino clover. Specifications for seeding and re-seeding pastures are listed in the county handbook and payment will be made at the rates so listed. Payment for seeding ryegrass will also be made at the rates specified in the county handbook.

All permanent pastures and ryegrass should be seeded before September 15. It is important that all farmers anticipate their needs for the coming winter and spring and seed whatever pastures are necessary to meet these needs.

The local AAA office and the county or community committee will be glad to assist you with your plans for the seeding of your pastures.

Wheat straw constitutes the major proportion of the small grain crop produced in North Carolina, and it is estimated that 400,000 tons of wheat straw was produced in 1945.

GRADUATES TO HEAR ADDRESS BY DR. RYAN

Head of Department of Education at University of North Carolina, to Be Speaker at Summer Commencement at Appalachian; the Graduates

Dr. J. Carson Ryan will deliver the address at the summer commencement of Appalachian State Teachers College on Thursday evening, August 28, at 8 o'clock, it is announced by President B. B. Dougherty.

Dr. Ryan, head of the department of education in the graduate school of the university, has recently returned from one of a number of visits to China as coordinator of education.

At this commencement Appalachian will confer bachelor of science degrees on 54 members of the senior class, as follows:

Grace Gibson Ross, Edith Hampton Webb, Elmeda M. Stanchland, Julia Norris Beam, Myrtle Hudson Hoyle, Marcia Rae Gabriel, Dorothy Marie Whisnant, Olive Hall Cooper, Kathryn Florence Lingerfeldt, Edith Juanita York, Evelyn Miller, Fernie Williams Caudill, Alta Louise Ponder, David Earl Broome, Jacqueline June Renfrow, Claire Omar Caskey, Nelda Jones, Marjorie McBee Pittman, Cleo Lea Williams, Jr., Norma Elizabeth Parker, Verna Doris Harrison Rawls, Martha Kathryn Pearsall, Iola Lee Day, Lillian Thompson Bolton, Margaret Susan Cole, June Cecil Keeter, Ethel Hollifield Powell, Annie Laurie Smith, Mary Jane S. Hauser, Edward A. Adelman, Edna Staley Bivens, Carol Melissa Glass, Alvin Clay Joines, Margaret Pendry.

Hannah Elizabeth Craven, Thelma Jane Farthing, Essie Norris Hayes, Lloyd Isaacs, Walter C. Joyce, Magdalene B. Ransdell, Mattie L. Sherwood Walsh, Juanita M. Young, William H. Brennan, Helen R. Walden, Sarah Wilcox Anderson, David W. Rollins, Isabel McDonald Rollins, C. Ernestine A. Behlmer, Mildred Graves Team, Laura LeRoy, Olive Montgomery, Laura C. Muckle, Margaret Isabel Moses, Helen Raymond Abbott.

Members of the volunteer fire department are asked to meet with the city council Thursday evening.

SHOOTING TO BE TABOO HERE

Police Chief Says Ordinance Against Discharge of Firearms is to Be Enforced

The ordinance against the discharge of firearms within the limits of the city, which has been ignored in recent years, is to be enforced henceforth, says Police Chief Scruggs. The officer says that in the future arrests will be made for this violation, as the law provides.

The chief states further, that dogs are to be kept on the premises of the owner, and that canines running at large will be destroyed.

He asks for the complete cooperation of the people in the enforcement of both these statutes.

Organization Will Promote Exports Burley Tobacco

The Burley Auction Warehouse Association has endorsed a plan for the creation of an organization to promote exports of burley and all types of tobacco, according to an announcement made yesterday by William C. Clay, Jr., of Mt. Sterling, Ky., counsel for the warehouse association.

On August 4, at a meeting in Lexington, Ky., representatives of tobacco organizations resolved "to devise, if possible and practicable, a separate organization representing these types of tobacco and the parties interested in its production and marketing, for the promotion of the tobacco export business in all of its phases."

At the Lexington meeting, a committee composed of Mr. Clay, Thomas Pepper of Springfield, Tenn., Lorenzo K. Wood of Louisville, and John Berry of New Castle, Ky., was appointed to draft a tentative charter for the new organization and each interested group was asked to submit the proposal to its members for ratification.

Mr. Clay announced that the results of a questionnaire sent to all members of the Burley Auction Warehouse Association showed unanimous approval of the proposal.

WILSON INFANT DIES

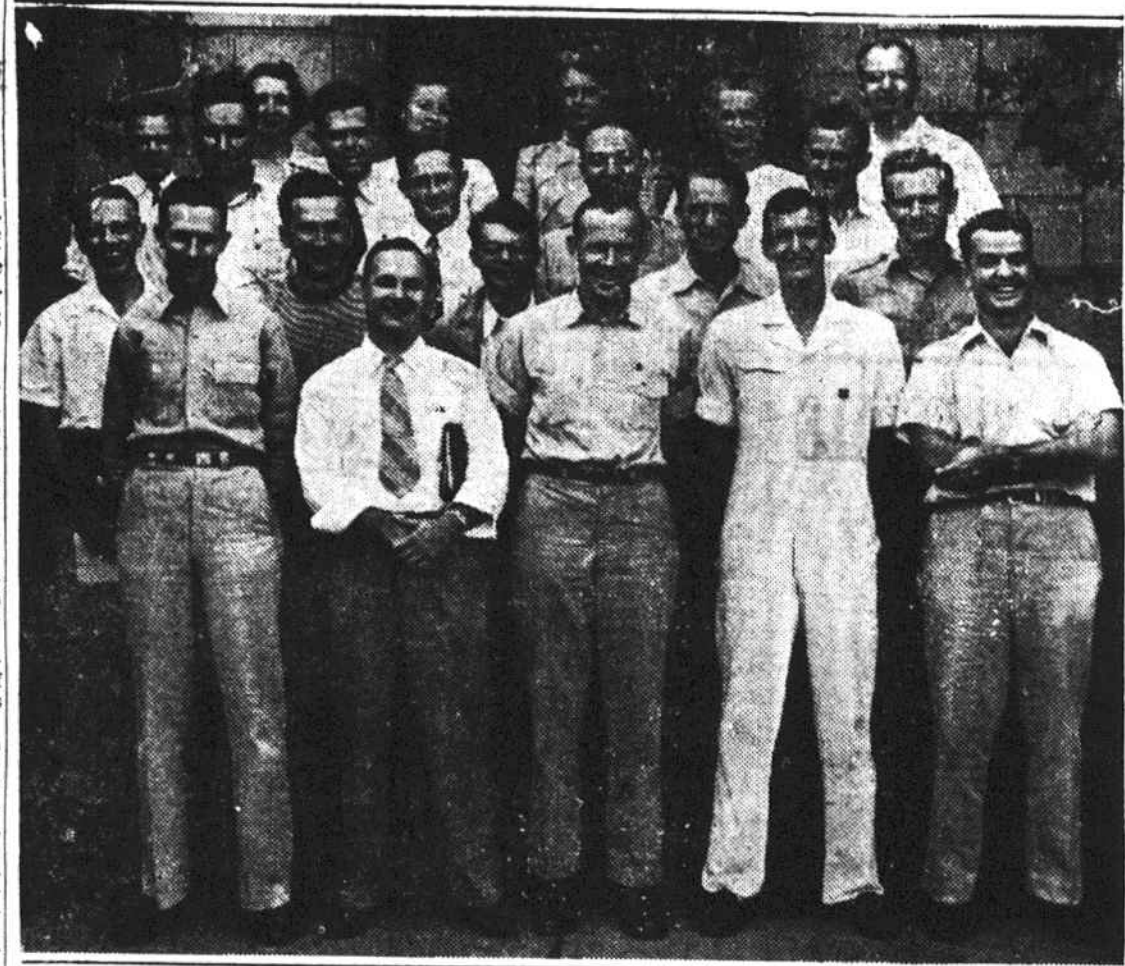
An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chappel Wilson died at the Banner Elk Hospital last Friday, and graveside rites in the city cemetery were conducted at 2 o'clock Saturday by Rev. J. K. Parker, Jr., of the Presbyterian Church.

An automatic flight recorder has been perfected which can detect possible dangerous airplane or pilot tendencies before they lead to accidents.

V. F. W. TO MEET

The Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet Thursday evening at the American Legion Hut.

ATTEND FREEZER LOCKER SHORT COURSE



Pictured here are a group of business men who attended a recent freezer locker short course at N. C. State College, Raleigh. They are shown with some of the faculty and staff members of the college. During their tenure at State College, the group studied a wide range of subjects touching upon the expanding freezer locker industry in North Carolina. Front row, left to right: Weldon R. Hogan, Wilkesboro; Prince G. Melton, Fuquay Springs; W. H. Dameron, Jr., Boone; Eugene W. Smith, Mocksville; and David M. Fee, Fort Pierce, Fla. Second row: Edwin Radinsky, Fort Pierce, Fla.; Oscar Ledford, Franklin; Frank D. Smith, South Boston, Va.; Jas. H. Bost Wadesboro; Hassel A. Byrd, Burlington. Third row: Prof T. N. Blumer of State College; Paul V. Stokes, Winston-Salem; Dr. D. E. Brady of State College; Gayle Rogers, Charlotte; S. B. Carter, Martinsville, Va.; C. P. McNeely, Mooresville. Back row: Miss Nelson Tucker, Mrs. Marguerite Serles, Miss Charlotte Mobley, Mrs. Mildred Seabers and Dr. Ivan D. Jones, all of the State College staff.

LOCAL FREEZER LOCKER PLANT TO BE ONE OF MOST MODERN

To Address Laymen

Rev. L. B. Scarborough, pastor of the First Christian Church, Rocky Mount, N. C., who is to speak to the Baptist Laymen's Club at the Skyline Cafe Thursday evening. Rev. Mr. Scarborough is one of the state's outstanding religious and civic leaders, is national chaplain of the Junior Order, and all Juniors are invited to the meeting. Reservations may be made by calling the church office or Wade E. Brown.

Croquet Tourny New Activity of 'Soap Box' League

The most talked-of activity of the "Soap Box" league is the coming tournament in croquet, which has been announced by Coach R. W. Watkins.

The tourny will be held on the college tennis courts. Pairings may be made and posted with Joe Crawford at his barber shop on Main street.

Senior Scouts Spend Week on New River

Members of Explorer Post No. 41, Senior Boy Scouts, spent last week on a camping trip down on New River. The part set out from Idlewild in home-made boats, camped in the river's bank at night, and covered thirty-five miles in their cruise to Glendale Springs. R. D. Hodges, troop leader, succeeded in landing a nineteen-inch bass on the trip, but otherwise fishing was poor, due to heavy rainfall.

The group making the novel trip included: John Council, Fred Council, Buddy Moretz, Robert Teague, Fred Miller, Joe Gaitner and R. D. Hodges.

Construction of New Storage House is Nearing Completion; Citizens Are Asked to Get Their Names on List for Locker Space

The frozen food locker plant which will soon open for business is one of the most modern and up-to-date frozen food locker plants in the south. This plant is the last word in modern efficiency, and provides for Watauga county and Boone the facilities long needed for the preserving of food.

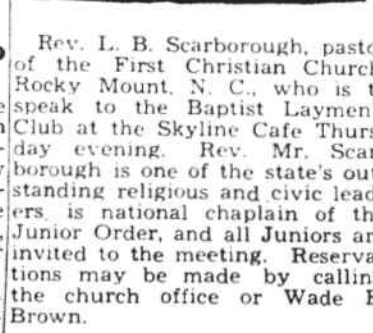
The success of the plant is dependent upon the farmer patrons who will find this plant of tremendous value in their food preserving problems. For the successful operation of the plant, at least 200 lockers in this plant must be rented by those from the rural sections who, in fact, find them even more profitable than the folks living in town. About 100 of this number have already been spoken for by rural patrons.

This plant provides a capacity for more than 700 lockers. Each of them are six cubic feet in size and of the very latest design. The processing equipment will provide ample space and facilities for the handling of a very heavy volume of pork, beef, poultry and other meats, as well as vegetables and fruits. In the pork curing section, which is provided for the curing of pork for home use, there is space to handle up to 100,000 pounds of pork at one time. The Boone plant is not dependent upon the weather for the curing of pork as the plant makes its own weather and maintains a temperature in the pork curing room of around 35 to 38 degrees at all times. Under these perfect conditions pork can be cured to perfection, which will guarantee its keeping when it is finally taken out.

Beef, when brought in, is hung in the chill and ageing room and is kept there until it is ready to be processed. When the processing stage is reached, steaks, roasts, and hamburger are prepared properly, trimmed, wrapped and then frozen under perfect conditions and placed in the locker to be available when the locker owner desires.

In addition to the advantages of a frozen food locker plant for the preserving of food for home use, there is also a tremendous opportunity given for the processing of food through this plant to be sold on the open market at special prices and on an ever-increasing market where the demands far exceed the supply, thus this plant will stimulate production on Watauga farms since the plant itself serves as a local manufacturing plant for food productions.

The low cost of rental of the (Continued on page 4)



CITY STREETS TO BE PAVED, WORK STARTED

City Council Launches Program of Paving and General Repair; Number of Streets Getting New Asphalt Surface; Some of New Streets Gravel

The city council is pushing a rather ambitious program of street work, which is designed to resurface a number of the most used streets of the city, and to do a number of things which had been neglected during the hectic years of the war.

Streets have been repaired and placed in good condition in Daniel Boone Park, Cherry Park, Howard, Oak and Pine street sections and in places where the bituminous surfacing has not been applied, the surface has been made ready for the treatment, and it is now certain that for the first time in years all the principal streets of the town will be in good shape before winter comes.

The present program of improvement included a large amount of patching of asphalt surfacing, and the town was having trouble getting men who knew this difficult phase of construction. It so happened that Earl Norris and a number of his co-workers with the State Highway Commission, were on vacation. Accordingly they took a job with the town, used their vacation period to help out in the emergency and did a first class job, with the aid of the city workers. Mr. Norris and the other State men are due the gratitude of the people of the town for unselfishly giving up their vacation in the interest of community progress.

The asphalt surface is now being placed on the street leading from the bus station to the old laundry site, and work is expected to start soon on the west end of Howard Street and on Queen street.

In the case of a number of new streets which have just been opened, it is likely that gravel will suffice for the time being. At any rate, the officials say, they are doing everything in their power to take care of the most pressing needs of the community as quickly as possible and that the streets are claiming the most of the attention of the council at the present time.

BAND TO PLAY AT FESTIVAL

High School Band Invited to Mountain City's gala Festival September 3

Gordon Nash and his Appalachian High School band will be one of the features of the Bean Festival which is to be held in Mountain City, Tenn., Wednesday, September 3, at which time parades, carnival attractions, parachute jumps, the appearance of officials of note, and other features will inaugurate the big event, which is expected to develop into an annual attraction for the east Tennessee area.

Prof. Nash, who says the sponsors of the festival are supplying his group with transportation to Mountain City, states that band practice for the event will get under way Friday at 2:30.

The parades will be featured by a large number of floats, a beauty contest will be staged, and agricultural products of Johnson county will be exhibited. A midway has been arranged, a Mountain City man has been billed to make a parachute jump, and Senator Tom Stewart and Representative Dayton Phillips will speak.

It is expected that the festival will provide the biggest time in Johnson county since the days of the old county fair.

COUPLE ADOPTS GIRLS, THEN TWO MORE ARRIVE

Marysville, O.—Mrs. Charles Spitzer now has four small daughters to keep her busy. Six years ago, she and her husband feared they would never have any children of their own.

They adopted two girls. Joanne is now 12, Judy is eight. Since then they have become the parents of two daughters. Their first, Anne Louise, is 14 months old. Their second, Charlene Kay, is nearly a month old. Mrs. Spitzer, 39 years old when Charlene Kay was born, shared her room in Grant hospital with Mrs. David Sparks, 18-year-old mother.

The 1947 acreage of corn for harvest in North Carolina is estimated at 2,182,000 acres, and prospective yields point to a crop equal to the 38,914,000 bushels harvested in 1946.