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KING STREET

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HOWARD STREET gets the asphalt treatment, as work goes on in the biggest street improvement program since the days when the late WPA poured the cash down to the states, counties and towns. . . Never has a city administration, so far as we can recall, accomplished so much "on its own steam" . . . that is, without Federal grants or municipal bond issues. . . All the streets which had been surfaced in the past, have been saved from further ruin by retreatment, others have been fixed . . . water mains have been extended to relieve those suffering from shortage in the Daniel Boone Park area and in east Boone . . . other extensions are in prospect . . . two wells have been drilled and an expensive pumping system has been installed to replenish the gravity water system as needed . . . worn-out trucks have been replaced . . . and a great many smaller improvements made . . . A record of progress is being made by the town council, which we believe that the folks appreciate . . . particularly since busy business men are giving their time . . . only a sort of token payment is made to compensate them for their efforts in the interest of the town . . . 'Course there are many more streets that need fixing . . . No town, county or state has a completed street or road building program . . . but a great big start has been made, and plans are to continue the work next year, in an even bigger fashion . . .



They look relaxed, perfectly at ease, but these American military policemen were right on their toes as they awaited whatever might come out of the big communist rally staged in Berlin by way of a reply to the anti-communist demonstrations in the western zone. Trouble was feared, but none materialized, for the big rally was a flop.

College Enrollment For Fall Term is 964



Robert Nishiyama, 23, who trained to be a kamikaze pilot but saw no action, will study liberal arts at Lafayette College under a scholarship provided by a U. S. soldier who was killed in the Philippines. He said: "The people of Japan want U. S. troops to stay."

Homecoming Set For Friday

The annual homecoming festivities at Appalachian State Teachers college will get under way Friday, October 1, at 8:00 p. m. when the Ambassador Male Quartet and Bell Ringers will present a program in the college auditorium.

The alumni tea and business session will be held in Lovell Hall Assembly at 4 p. m. Saturday, October 2, and the annual homecoming football game—Appalachian versus Elon—will be played at 7 o'clock.

At 9:30, following the football game, the homecoming dance will be held in the women's gymnasium.

James Glover of Bailey is president of the association. The other officers are Donald Thompson of Boone, first vice president; Carmen Stewart, Winston-Salem, second vice president; Mrs. Fred Smith of Raleigh, third vice president; Henry Shannon, Gastonia, June Ayers of Burnsville and Mrs. Nathan Cooper of Morganton, fourth, fifth, and sixth vice presidents respectively. Thompson, Shannon and Mrs. Graydon P. Eggers of Boone are members of the executive committee.

All Appalachian alumni from Watauga county are cordially invited and urged to attend the homecoming festivities. Starr Stacy of the Appalachian social studies faculty is local alumni secretary, and reservations can be handled through him.

Luckman urges need of preparedness to assure peace.

READY FOR AN EMERGENCY

Appalachian State Teacher's college enrollment has reached a total of 964, according to figures just released. There are 554 men enrolled, and 410 women.

The enrollment represents 71 of North Carolina's counties, and there are students from twelve other states, Puerto Rico and Cuba. 38 counties from the other states are included in the representation.

The students come from as far away as South Dakota and Indiana, and from Florida to New York.

Although the enrollment falls short of last fall term by three students, the freshman class is larger and the year's enrollment is expected to surpass last year's totals.

Health Office Lists Services

To better acquaint the people of the county with the work being done by the local Health Department, the following schedule of services rendered on Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 9 to 12, is given:

- V. Vaccinations and immunizations recommended.
- Diphtheria. Immunize all children between six and nine months of age with alum precipitated diphtheria toxoid, either plain or combined with whooping cough vaccine.
- Reimmunize all children at 12 months and 5 years.
- Whooping Cough. Immunize all children preferably before the age of three months.
- Reimmunize all children at six months, one year, and five years with a booster dose, either plain or combined with diphtheria.
- Typhoid Fever. Immunize children, as soon as sterilized feedings have been discontinued, and adults.
- Reimmunize annually with a booster dose.
- Smallpox. Vaccinate all children preferably before the age of one year.
- Revaccinate children and adults every three years.
- Verbal diseases will be treated and contacts examined.
- Food handlers and domestic help may receive examinations.

Methodists Go To Conference

Rev. S. B. Moss, pastor of the Methodist Church here, left Monday for High Point, where he is in attendance at the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference. Others from Boone who are at conference include: Dr. J. D. Rankin, Dr. D. J. Whitener, H. G. Farthing and Willys Chester.

Conference is being held at the Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, and will close Friday with the reading of the appointment.

BARNETT NEW HEAD COUNTY FARM BUREAU; 400 AT MEETING

Congressman Redden Speaks at Annual Meeting; Other Officers, Directors Named; Resolution Favors Rural Health Council.

Monroe M. Redden, member of Congress from the twelfth Carolina district, spoke at the courthouse in Boone Saturday afternoon to approximately 400 members of the Watauga County Farm Bureau and their families.

The annual meeting of the local Farm Bureau marked the close of the membership campaign, which has been in progress for some time, and featured the election of a new slate of officers for the organization.

Mr. Redden spoke on the importance of the farm in the national economy and of the necessity of an extended federal farm policy, which would enable the farmer to receive his rightful share of the national income.

New farm bureau officers were named as follows:

G. D. Barnett, president; W. W. Mast, vice-president; Stewart Simmons, secretary-treasurer.

A board of directors was named, composed of the following: Fred Krider, Lewis Norris, Vance Keller, Burl Greene, I. B. Wilson, A. J. Wheeler, Howard Edmisten, L. E. Wilson, Victor Farthing, Henry Taylor and Hayes Wellborn.

The organization adopted a resolution approving the rural health council sponsored by the medical association and appointed a committee to co-operate with the health council. W. W. Mast, W. R. Vines, and Clyde R. Greene were named as members of the committee.

Campaign On For Benefit Children

The "Crusade for Children" campaign in Watauga county is now under way, with the view to raising the county quota of \$1024 as quickly as possible, in order that the funds may be used immediately to aid in the relief of suffering throughout the world.

Mrs. F. E. Warman is chairman for the campaign in the town of Boone; Mrs. Council Cooke for the town of Blowing Rock, and Miss Betty Matheson for the rural areas. Mr. Alfred Adams is general treasurer, to whom all funds are payable by the various groups cooperating in the solicitation.

Organizations assisting in the effort in the county are: Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Junior Order, Business and Professional Women's Club, Order of the Eastern Star, Rotary Club, Worthwhile Woman's Club, Friday Afternoon Club and Women from the Churches.

Purpose of the Campaign

The following statement is issued by officials of the local campaign:

"A steady flow of money must go to the National office for the reason that it is spent immediately by the International Children's Emergency Fund of the United Nations for food and medicines. These supplies are bought in the United States and shipped immediately to the various areas being served by the participating relief agencies. These agencies are keeping alive millions of children on a 1200 calorie daily diet. If we in the United States do not continue to provide the money for supplies during 1948 the relief work will stop, and millions of children will starve.

"The 'Chest' we are working for is not the sort that can hold funds for contemplated expenditures. It must raise money and spend it NOW, here in the United States, where larger quantities are available and bulk buying saves money. Not only is our gift money saving the lives of children everywhere in the world BUT it is buying American products. Thus it is playing a part in the stabilization of our economy. The same thing is taking place in the other 55 nations in our 'World Community Chest.'"

Rotary Club is Granted Charter

The newly organized Rotary Club of Boone has been granted a charter by the Board of Directors of Rotary International, it was announced today at Rotary's headquarters in Chicago. The Boone Club is now a member of the vast Rotary organization which has 6,814 clubs with a membership of 320,000 business and professional executives in 89 countries and geographical regions.

Rotary membership today stands at an all-time high. In the last fifteen months, 414 new Rotary Clubs have been organized in North, South and Central America, Europe, Asia, Africa and the Islands of the South Pacific.

President of the new Rotary Club of Boone, which has 18 charter members, is Stanley A. Harris, agent for the Provident Mutual Agency and a former member of the Rotary Clubs of Memphis and Chattanooga, Tenn. Wayne R. Richardson, a co-partner in the Boone Drug Co., is club secretary.

DEWEYS QUALIFY TO VOTE



Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and his wife came to New York City to register for the November elections at the election board. Here is the Republican standard bearer, and Mrs. Dewey, smiling and cheerful, as they deposited their ballots in the ballot box.

REA To Build 486.5 Miles Of New Lines

Bids for the construction of 486.4 miles of electric distribution lines to serve 1734 new consumers were received at the office of the Cooperative in Lenoir, at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning September 22. R. H. Boulingny, Inc. of Charlotte, submitted a bid of \$865,025.90. Cline Construction Company of Raleigh, submitted a bid of \$842,785.45. Rockingham Construction Company of Harrisonburg, Va. submitted a bid of \$798,717.96. Mr. W. A. Kurtz of B. O. Vanort, Engineer, handled the bid opening. C. E. Viverette, general manager of Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation, Harold Beach, general superintendent and the board of directors were present as the bids were read. After analyzing each of the bids, the board of directors met, late in the afternoon, in a special session and awarded the contract to Rockingham Construction Company, the low bidder.

The Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation is at the present time operating 1900 miles of line and serving 8712 consumers. This new work will take electric service to 166 new consumers in Caldwell county, 256 in Watauga county, 982 in Ashe county, 190 in Alleghany county and 150 new consumers in Wilkes county. As the contractor is doing this work, the Co-op crews expect to build 125 miles of new line to take electric service to another 1000 new consumers.

The contract for \$789,717.96 is the largest contract ever let by the Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation. At its completion, nearly all homes within its service area will be receiving the benefits of electric service.

Rockingham Construction Company is at the present time completing a 44000 volt transmission line for the Cooperative from Boone to West Jefferson. They will begin this new work as soon as the Rural Electrification Administration has approved the contract.

App's In Victory Over W. Carolina

Asheville—Two extra points booted by Co-Captain Tom Boyette gave Appalachian State Teachers college a 14-13 victory over Western Carolina Teachers college here Saturday night as the two North State foes battled in the rain before 4,500 spectators.

The Mountaineers came from behind on Tom Murdock's 67-yard scoring punt return during the third quarter after the Cullowhee Catamounts held at 13-7 margin at the half.

After a scoreless first period the Cats hit paydirt early in the second quarter on a pass from Pee Wee Hamilton to Bob Tate, left end. Appalachian came back and scored four plays later, with Bryson bucking the line from the seven.

Appalachian Lineup

Ends, Cashey, Felton; tackles, Lyons, Grisson; guards, Alford, Boyette; center — Hunnycutt; backs, Murdock, Ragan, Akins, Mills, Bryson.

R. J. Millsaps Dies at Age 64

Robert Jones Millsaps, resident of Beaver Dam township, died at the home September 22, at the age of 64 years.

Funeral services were conducted at the Bethel Baptist Church at 2 p. m. last Saturday, the rites being in charge of Rev. E. J. Farthing and Dr. Wiley Smith.

Mr. Millsaps is survived by the widow, the former Miss Mae Mock, and two sons, Melvin H. and William C. Millsaps of Sugar Grove; three daughters: Mrs. Lloyd Eggers and Mrs. M. H. Smitherman of Sugar Grove and Mrs. Jackson Eggers of Carterville, Tenn. There is one brother, four sisters, nineteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

United States aid plan is urged for diseased crops.

WORK STARTS ON BUILDING PROGRAM AT APPALACHIAN

New Stokers Being Installed and Contract Let for Huge Chimney at Power Plant; Start Made on Using Two Million Dollar Grant.

Results from the 1947 legislative appropriation for expansion of Appalachian State Teachers college are being seen and more work will begin at an early date, according to an announcement last week from Business Manager Bernard Dougherty.

During the summer, work has been in progress in the installation of three stoker replacements at the power plant, according to Mr. Dougherty. The N. E. Brewer Company of Winston-Salem has already installed one of the stokers and the remaining two will be installed soon. Contract for the three stokers was let for \$22,923.50.

The Consolidated Chimney Company of Chicago will begin work in October on a 170-foot chimney for the power plant. The chimney, which will cost \$11,330, will be of radial brick and will have a diameter of seven feet at the top.

Bids have been let for other power plant improvements and it is hoped that contracts will be made in the near future. Improvements totaling approximately \$87,000 will include feed water heater, boiler feed pumps, turbine, and switchboard. Mr. Dougherty said.

Laundry Plans

Northup and O'Brian, architects for the college, have almost completed plans for the new laundry building, the business manager stated. The building, to be located near the present plant facing Appalachian Street, will be a two-story, 144-by-80-foot structure. The first floor will house woodwork shops, garage, and storage rooms. The new laundry will be installed on the second floor. When the appropriation was made over a year ago, it was expected that the building would cost around \$150,000, but Mr. Dougherty stated that because of increases in building costs, no estimate could be given at present.

\$2,000,000 Appropriation

The improvements represent part of the 1947 appropriation for ASTC by the General Assembly of North Carolina. During the session, approximately \$2,000,000 was appropriated for improvements and expansion of the college. Owing to provisions of the bill which specified the manner in which the appropriations (Continued on page eight)

Wey Presides at Teachers Meet

The executive council of the Watauga unit of the NCEA met at the Boone High school on Thursday evening September 23 and completed the organizational set-up for the current year. Mr. Herbert Wey, president of the local unit, presided.

The following committees were organized: Program committee with Mrs. Velma Cottrell as chairman; membership committee, Donald Thompson, chairman; legislative committee, Mrs. Grace Council, chairman; Federal Aid committee, Robert Shipley, chairman; public relations committee, Miss Mary Ellen Gibbs, chairman and professional service committee, Mrs. Dessa Mae Edmisten, chairman.

Mr. Sam Horton, who is at the present time vice-president of the Northwestern district of the NCEA, was nominated by the council as a candidate for president. Mr. Herbert Wey was nominated as a candidate for director of the district. The election of these and other district officers will take place in the various local units before the district meeting in High Point on October 23. The Watauga unit will vote on October 8th, at the first county wide teachers meeting. Each teacher is urged to be present and support local candidates.

Five county wide meetings have been planned. Tentative dates are October 8th, November 12th, January 14th, March 11th, and May 6th at 2:00 p. m.

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