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**KING STREET** 

BY

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EMMA LOU DOLLARS,

year old Deep Gap child, strick-

years ago, was in town Monday

to highlight a March of Dimes

radio program at WATA, and

the Democrat office for a few

the happy child are glad to see

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## REA Approves Large Report Road Work **Phone Project For** In Watauga Given This Section.

West Jefferson, N. C., Jan. 13. -The possibility for widespread ural telephone service in Ashe,

9 Alleghany and Watauga counties became definite Wednesday en with infantile paralysis two afternoon when G. B. Price, State administrator of REA, announced that George Haggard, U. S. Deputy Administrator of dition, \$17,000 has been spent in dropped by to visit with us at REA, had signed the allocation this county for repairs to and for \$1 060,000 for the Skyline replacement of bridges on Waminutes . . . A bright, pretty Telephone Membership Corporatauga roads paved with bond child, Emma Lou makes friends tion of West Jefferson for the funds. readily and the folks along the construction project of 800 miles Eighteen additional miles of street who are acquainted with of lines to include 3,72 telephones county roads have been stabiliin the rural sections of Ashe, Alzed, while eleven miles now unher each visit she makes to the leghany and Watauga counties. der construction will be paved city . . . Through the good of- The building project totals \$1,next spring. fices of the National Infantile 181,000.00 and \$121,000 is to be The

Paralysis Foundation, this child, raised in initial membership fees severely handicapped, is imof \$34.00 which includes comproving, and while she must live plete installation. Officials estiin a wheel chair, there are hopes mated that the monthly service that she will continue to improve charge would run around three and ultimately be able to live dollars and twenty-five cents per pretty nearly a normal life . . member. There are thousands of Emma Ge W. Edwards of West Jeffer-Lous throughout this broad

land, stricken down with polio, Skyline Corporation. He was miles east of the Tennessee State and the records indicate that named this week to succeed J. four out of five of these victims Oscar Blevins of Lansing, who of the grim crippler must be died suddenly last week. ministered to by funds which The telephone service to this we are privileged to contribute ection of North Craolina has during the March of Dimes camlong been needed and initial ... In other words with plans were started early last out the dollars and dimes which year when surveys were made in are given, and without the facithe three counties to determine lities provided by the National the demand and costs. Foundation, it is to be assumed Directors of the N. C. Rural

nstalled.

that only 20 per cent of the afflicted children would secure treatments, braces, chairs, etc. last week. . . . WATAUGA COUNTY, along with the rest of the nation, is being called on again this year to raise some money to help children like little Emma

Lou . . . to restore the smile to other little faces, which have shown the marks of excruciating pain, to reactivate the muscles of the countless little arms and legs which have been immobilited, and to replace dark despair, with bright hopes of a gladsome return to the playground, the school, and to the normal pursuits of a happy childhood.

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WE ARE NOT BEING ASK-ED for a great deal . . . We have never been asked for an amount in proportion to the sums spent on our own children by the National Foundation . . . We could pay the two or three thousand dollars asked of us annually for many years yet, and still be indebted to people of other States

mands on our ple at this time are great crippled children's fund. The organizational campaign being conducted almost daily in this locality take a lot of money . . the income tax man is digging deeper every trip, and come March 15, we don't know what the story's going to be, but despite all of this . . . despite the high cost of living, and all the many demands of a society geared to financial abandon, surely we could do no less than, to give to the relief of polio sufferers, sums equal to those received by our own children from other folks . . . Self-respect, if not love for God's own little At a meeting of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, held on younguns ought to command a little more support than is being given this noble cause . . Money is coming in very slowly to Jim Taylor's campaign headquarters, folks are not overly anxious to have a part in this effort to salvage the frail little bodies of the youngsters, and Hodges, Watt Gragg, Clyde they ought to be downright Green, Leo Pritchett and Wade ashamed, considering as how the Federal lettuce is customarily ladled out around town for every manner of thing . . . some of which are plumb no good . ... Much is being said of our love for the Lord and his institutions But when it gets right down to the fundamentals of good Christian practice, such as help-ing a little frail, crippled child, is scared and hurt, and whe is seared and hurt, and helplæs... just a beck of a lot of folks turn a deaf ear... Let's don't be caught short this time ... as a matter of fact, the youngster you may help, may be your own! te your own! (Cuntinged on page four)

Six and nine-tenths miles of Board of Trustees for the local road have been paved, while 27.7 miles have been graded and hospital was held on Wednes day, January 10. Business insurfaced with traffic bound cluded election of officers for macadam in Watauga county the coming year and a report of during 1950, according to a the hospital's activities for 1950. year-end report coming from the Wade E. Brown was elected State Highway Commission. chairman succeeding Dr. G. K. The report reveals that in ad-Moose. Others elected

Herman R. Eggers, vice-chairman; Fred Gragg, secretary and Stanley A. Harris, treasurer. Vance C. Holland was re-employed as administrator. A comparative report showed

number of patients and service rendered. A grand total of 660 surgical procedures were done Bamboo to Blue Ridge in 1950 compared with 583 in Parkway, 1.5 miles has been 1949. There were 1,862 patients completed out of regular state admitted and discharged during funds, it is said, while the only the year. X-ray and laboratory Federal aid project listed as bework almost doubled itself. A ing completed in 1950 is defined total of 490, emergency cases as the "relocation and surfacing were taken to the hospital for of NC 603 from a point 1.5 treatment. "ACTH" the worder miles west of Sugar Grove west drug was procurred making the

is the new president of the to a point approximately 7.7 line-3 miles." **January Scout** 

**Meeting Tonight** The January meeting of the

Watauga District, Old Hickory Council, will be held tonight Electrification Authority approv- (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock, at the ed the incorporation application Skyline Restaurant, Various com mittee reports will be given, the

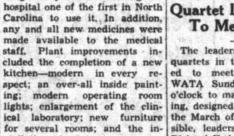
Administrator Price said that main ones being a report on the \$34 was considered low initial recent fund raising drive in this nembership since it included all district to be given by Alfred nstallation, and recalled that Adams, and a report by the when electricity was made avail-Camping and Activities group, able to the rural sections the headed by Howard Cottrell, farmer had the expense of havwhich will disclose activity plans ng his house wired. for the Scouts during the coming He stated that in Watauga year,

ounty the property owned by A discussion of plans for the The Watauga Telephone company National Scout week, February would be purchased by the co- 6 through 12, is expected to be perative and modern dial system held.

Anyone interested in Scouting Watauga people inccluded in is invited to attend. It is not a the incorporation were Dwight supper meeting. Cable, Sugar Grove; Johnny P.



Wade E. Brown of Boone, Wa-The Rotary Club of Boone is tauga's member of the House of ponsoring a home-talent benefit show, "Going Places," which Representatives, was appointed to a number of important comwill be staged Wednesday and Thursday, January 24 and 25th mittees by Speaker Taylor last for the treatments our own Wa-tauga children have been given The proceeds will be used for follow: the benefit of the Rotary Club's



## Chairman Board **Being Entertained** Of Directors. The annual meeting of the

Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Rotary Club are combining their efforts to entertain the eighty five members of the Western North Carolina Clinic Band and their directors.

The Boone Lions Club has donated the money to furnish one were: meal to all members of the clinic. The Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club have donated the money for one meal. The college is giving the members of the clinic a dinner on Friday evening that the hospital increased in and providing sleeping accommodations for forty boys. Parents of high school band members and other interested townspeople are

furnishing sleeping accommodations for the other student mem bers of the clinic. The college and community spirit of cooperation is highly commendable and the officers and directors of the clinic are

deeply appreciative. Quartet Leaders Are To Meet on Sunday

The leaders of the various quartets in the county are asked to meet at radio station WATA Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock to map plans for a singing, designed to raise money for the March of Dimes. Where possible, leaders are asked to see stallation of an emergency pow- Richard Hodges in Boone, before Sunday

Winston-Salem.

85 Band Members Polio Dance Set For February 1 The college, townspeople, Lions Final Plans in Making HECTOR SOUSA For Annual Social,

Benefit Affair.

Preliminary plans have been made for the annual March of Dimes ball, which is to be held at Appalachian High School auditorium Thursday February 1, from 9 to 12, and at the same time Jim Taylor, March of Dimes director announces a novelty request show on station WATA, to boost polio fund collections.

On Friday of this week from 2 to 5 p. m. the request show will be featured over the local radio facility. Listeners are invited to call WATA and request a number. In turn John's Cabs will call at the listener's home for a donation to the March of

Dimes. Music for the polio ball will be supplied by Ed Waugh and his orchestra, and tickets are on sale at the following now places: Boone Drug Co., College

Book Store, Wade E. Brown's office. **Blue Ridge Fair** 

At a meeting of the stockhold ers of the Blue Ridge Fair Association, held last week, the dates At College Saturday Night ciation, held last week, the dates of this year's exhibition were set, officers and directors elected, and it was decided to issue the premium list by April 15, in order Christian Pfohl, head of the mu- structor of Music at the college that farmers may make their here; Mr. Charles Isley, director lege, the Western North Carolina of the Waynesville High School plans to enter the competitions

> This year's fair is to be held September 12, 13, 14, and 15. Any changes in the preminum list should be requested of Mr. L. E. Tuckwiller by March 1.

R. G. Shipley was re-elected president of the fair association, Washington, Jan. 15 .- Rep. R . Doughton (D-N.C.) is opposed the other officers being: H. G.

Farthing, vice-president; Clyde buted Christmas cheer to 35 He issued a statement this R. Greene, secrectary; L. E. week saying, "I am uncondition- Tuckwiller, manager; W. H. blind people of Watauga county, in the form of small checks, Gragg, business manager, which were sent with the hope that their holidays might be a

draft age. If it has to be moved The directors are: H. G. Farthat all, it should be moved uping, R. G. Shipley, W. H. Gragg, D. B. Dougherty, L. E. Tuckwiller, Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Mrs. Bet-He said letters from North tie Edwards, Mrs. Sherman Hol-

ing, Clyde R. Greene.

**28 High Schools Take** Part in Music Fete Friday, Saturday

The annual Western North Carolina band clinic is being held Friday and Saturday on the campus of Appalachian State Teachers College, bringing to Boone a clinic band of 85 students, representing 28 high schools, with 28 band di-

**ROTARY GUEST** 

HECTOR SOUSA

Rotary Club, Thursday on

280th district of Rotary Interna-

tions and the promise they show for becoming influential leaders

in their countries. "In this way,"

The Boone Lions Club distri-

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rectors. Appalachian College and High School Bands are acting as hosts under the chairmanship of the high school band director, Mr. Roy Blanton, this being the first time in the history of North Carolina band clinics, that one has been held in Boone.

The college administration faculty, students and townspec ple extend a most hearty well come to the directors and their students to the campus and the town of Boone, with the hope that their stay will be most profitable and enjoyable.

**Purpose** of Clinic

The purpose of the clinic is to bring together students from each high school band in the Hector Sousa, graduate student of Appalachian State Teachwestern part of the State for a ers College, and a native of well-balanced concert band. This Argentina, spoke to the Boone band will be rehearsed under an his outstanding director during country, and what the Rotary which time the students and Foundation fellowship has directors receive inspiring and meant to him since coming to profitable benefits, tending to further motivate the high school Mr. Sousa is sponsored by the

instrumental program. **Pfohl** to Direct

The director for the clinic is lowships, it is explained, are grants of money for one year of advance study abroad by young one of the outstanding musical directors in the State, Mr. James Christian Pfohl. Mr. men selected for their qualifica-Pfohl is head of the music department at Davidson College as well as conductor of the Charlotte Symphony and director of a local Rotarian stated, "youth the nationally-famous Transyis served and at the same time Ivania Music Camp of Brevard, the objective of international N. C. understanding and good will is

## The Clinic Personnel

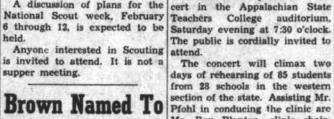
Following are the schools represented, the band directors and the students who will at-**Broom Sale Gifts** tend the clinic: Asheville, Lee Edwards High School: Joseph DeNardo, Director, Otto Henry, Larry Sherrill, Sylvia **Given To Blind** 

Moody, Boone, Appalachian High School; Roy R. Blanton, Director; Harry Farthing, Martha Council, Evelyn McCracken, Guy Hunt. Bryson City, Swain County High School; Donald L. Womick, Director, Dewitt Barker, Claude Parrish, Thre-tor Martic ody.

canton, Canton High School; Edwin

Canton, Canton High School; Edwin Troutman, Director, Ronald Muench, Director, Mack Barrett, Harry Finch-er, Frank Medford. Caroleen, Tri-High School; D. C. Cole, Director, Bobby Brindle. Cliffside. Cliffside High School; D. C. Cole, Director, Betty Whitaker. The funds thus distributed by the Lions came from the recent

C. Cole, Director, Betty Whitaker. Drexel, Drexel High School; Dane Smyre, Director, Gertrude MiHer, Blondel Isenhour, Cynthia Clarke.



**Doughton Opposes** The concert will climax two

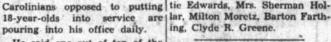
sic department of Davidson Col-

clinic band will present a con-

to drafting 18-year-olds. Mr. Roy Blanton, clinic chairman: Mr. Gordon A. Nash, direcally opposed to lowering the tor of the Appalachian State

Teachers College band; Mr. Roy Milligan, director of Mineral ward.' Springs band; Mr. Robert Mayer, director of Reynolds High band of Winston-Salem; Mr. Moore, woodwind instructor at Davidson

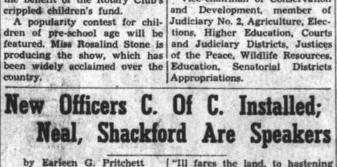
pouring into his office daily. Wednesday. The appointments College; Mr. Bernard Hirsch, director of the Marion High band; He said one out of ten of the



**Draft of Youths** 

**Dates Are Set Clinic Band To Give Concert** Under the direction of James | band; Mrs. Dorothy Kemp, in-

band; and Mr. Harry Snell of at the start of the farming sea-



"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills the prey Where wealth accumulates, and men decay."

airman of Conservation

Tuesday night, January 9 offi-He told the officers that they cers for the coming year were should concentrate on conservainstalled. They included Herman tion in six areas: Our offspring; Wilcox, president; Wayne Richour character; our talents; our ardson and Fred Gragg, vice work or industry; our natural resources; and our investment cappresidents; Alfred Adams, treasurer; and Roy Rufty, Paul Winkital. Included would be the fulller, Grady Farthing, Russell est possible church life for the community, by loyal and sincere participation by each member in the life of the church, by dis-Brown, directors.

couragement of all commercial The installation was, conducted activities upon the principal day by the Rev. J. K. Shackford, pastor of the Boone Methodist of worship in the churches, by a careful effort to avoid scheduling church. Mr. Shackford told the of big public events upton the officers that in the true discharge of their office they should re-member four major consideranight of the mid-week church service. Mr. Shackford comtions: A faith, or a philosophy. mended the citizens upon continuing the policy of banning the sale of alcohol, and reminded the with come ruling idea; a policy for achieving that idea; a pro

amith's lines, (Continued on page four)

School 'Korea." Hendersonville High

## **Mayor Boosts Dimes Drive**

Honorable Gordon H. Winkler, Mayor of Boone, North Carolina, issued a proclamation Monday calling on all residents of this city to assure continuation of the fight against infantile paralysis by giving unstinted support to the 1951 March of Dimes.

The proclamation disclosed that bills for polio patient care alone during 1949-50 took some \$47,000,000 in-March of Dimes funds, again exhausing the epidemic aid fund of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Text of the proclamation follows:

"WHEREAS, for the third successive year the nation has experienced a very serious polio epidemic, with incidence that ranks 1950 as the second worst polio year on record, and

"WHEREAS, the past two years drained away some \$47,000,000 in March of Dimes funds in defraying patient care costs that families could not pay themselves, and

"WHEREAS, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis exhausted its epidemic aid fund in coping with the 1950 polio outbreaks and with continuing care for patients from 1949 and earlier years, and

"WHEREAS, the 1951 March of Dimes, January 15-31, must prove the most outstanding success if the National Foundation's work is to continue unabated.

"SO THEREFORE, I, Gordon H. Winkler, Mayor of Boone, North Carolina, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM January 15-31 as March of Dimes period in our city and do call upon all to do their utmost to ensure the success of the drive and the continuance of the fight against infantile paralysis."



ducted Wednesday afternoon at St. James Chapel Methodist Church in Clintenville, Interment will be in the cemetery there. Survivors are the following rons and daughters: L. E. Tuck-willer, Boone; Ray Tuckwiller; Mrs. T. C. Robinson, Mrs. L. L. Bryant, Mrs. C. F. Legg, Mrs. J. C. Pitzenbarger, There is one stepson, Guy Tuckwiller. The husband also survives. There are it grandchildren.

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