

KING STREET BY ROB RIVERS

LAST WEEK one of our best friends, and one of the community's most saintly characters laid down the cares of life, bid adieu to a harassed world, and smilingly went away into the twilight, leaving behind an indelible impression on those whose troubles and joys she had shared along the long road, and an example of forthright cheerfulness, unselfishness, and righteousness which shall be a lasting joy to the ones of us who are still plodding along the way.

ONE OF THE LAST of the good neighbors and friends who lived in this section of Boone, when we toddled uncertainly about the place in our blue duck dresses, Mrs. F. A. Linney knew us a mighty long time, and our earliest recollections include her smiling face, her kind demeanor and her unflinching patience and understanding of the youngsters who frolicked about her home and made merry all about the countryside . . . and as we and our good friend came to the parting of the earthly ways, our sadness was tempered by the remembrance of the happy associations of the days gone by, and Mrs. Linney's unflinching anxiety for the welfare of her neighbors, their children and all the folks of the neighborhood.

KIND, GENEROUS and unselfish, Mrs. Linney exercised a tremendous influence for good upon those of us who knew her intimately during the unfolding years, and the teen agers as well as those of us whose shadows are lengthening, made regular visits to her home to enjoy her cheerful conversation and marvel at her wholesome and generous attitude toward the people of the town . . . the folks she loved and lived with for more than half a century . . . Endowed with a rare love for people, all sorts of people, her home was a gathering place and a mecca for the people of the city, and for those who had "been away" . . . On many occasions we've had our sagging spirit and weakening morale bolstered, and the way made smoother by her kindly and genuine interest in our personal welfare, and by her ability to make the problems of living in a complex and hurried era, appear less perplexing, and our delinquencies seem smaller.

MRS. LINNEY, who often referred to us as "one of my boys", never lost an opportunity to encourage us along the way . . . She wanted the Riverses to get along all right, along with all the other folks, and she added a lot of flowers to our pathway . . . We shall sorely miss her cheering words, her friendly counsel and her sound philosophy of life, but shall be forever thankful that we knew her, and was her friend!

LOCAL HOUSEHOLDERS becoming increasingly concerned over the high price of beef and beef products while livestock dealers admit in some cases they "don't know what to offer for a cow" . . . The price of the animal on the hoof would make the price of the steak or roast plumb high, even though the retailer did no more than break even on the transaction . . . Bernard Dougherty, incidentally tells of Appalachian College having sold an aged Holstein bull on the local market for \$617.00, which might be the highest figure ever received here for a beef animal . . . The big bovine, whose final impact on the economy will be in the form of hundreds and hundreds of pounds of bologna, frankfurters and the like, fetched \$31.50 per hundred, causing a good many eyebrows to lift around the sales ring.

Jim Taylor, local attorney, has announced he will move to new offices over the Watauga Building and Loan office on Main Street Monday, May 7. Mr. Taylor has maintained offices in the Wade E. Brown building since 1949, when he came to Boone upon graduating from the University of North Carolina School of Law. He is making this move because of the need for more office space.

Price Tells Of Plans To Provide Phones For Rural Residents

New Facility Should Be Available Soon.

By Joe Minor
Mr. Gwyn Price, head of the Rural Electrification Administration in North Carolina, which includes both electric and telephone service for rural areas, headquarters at Raleigh, spoke to a large group of rural folks last Thursday, and explained to them the situation concerning telephones for areas in this county not served now by telephones. The meeting was in the county courthouse. A movie, "Waves of Green," on agriculture, and sponsored by the Winkler Tractor and Equipment Company, was shown preceding the telephone discussion.
Mr. Price gave a brief history of the movement to obtain telephone service in the rural areas of this and adjoining counties. Definite action was taken in the last month of 1950, when the "Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation" was formed by people from Ashe, Alleghany, and Watauga counties, and a movement was made to get a loan of \$1,060,000 from the Rural Electrification Administration to help finance their operation.
Mr. Price compared the work of getting the support of prospective members with the early (Continued on page four)

Plans Complete For Lions Show

Dr. John G. Martin, chairman of the Boone Lions Club Annual County School's Talent Show and Queen's Contest, has announced that plans are completed for the program to be held Friday night at the college gymnasium, beginning at 8 o'clock. Thirteen different school groups will participate.
The event is sponsored each year by the local Lions Club to promote the development of talent among the school children and to help the club raise funds to carry on their work among the sight handicapped in the county.
Trophies will be awarded to the winning group in each division of the show, and a complete outfit of clothing will be given by Hunt's Department Store to the winning queen of both the elementary grades and high school division.
Groups participating in the talent show include, from the elementary division: Mabel, Watauga Consolidated, Boone Demonstration, Blowing Rock, Green Valley, Deep Gap, Winebarger, Valle Crucis, and Cove Creek; in the high school division: Watauga Consolidated, Appalachian, Cove Creek and Blowing Rock.

Scout Training Courses Friday

Boy Scout training courses are to be conducted from 4:30 to 6:30 and from 7:30 to 9:30 next Friday at the Boone Methodist church, and all troop leaders as well as those interested in organizing Scout units are particularly invited to attend the classes.
It is said that a special team of instructors will be here from North Wilkesboro, along with 15 or 20 other leaders from the neighboring town, and that they, along with a Boone contingent will go to Lake Oxford near Lenoir Saturday, where the courses are to be continued.
Those interested in taking part in the training courses at Lenoir are asked to get in touch with either Stanley A. Harris or H. Grady Farthing for transportation.

To Burley Growers

All Burley tobacco combinations and divisions must be on file in the office of the county PMA committee before May 15. No combinations or divisions for the 1951-52 marketing year will be approved after this date.

Last Rites Are Held Thursday For Mrs. Linney



MRS. F. A. LINNEY

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Boone Methodist Church for Mrs. Frank A. Linney, 71, prominent Boone resident, who died in a Charlotte hospital Tuesday evening, following a long illness.

Rev. J. T. Shackford, pastor of the church, was in charge of the rites. Rev. Sam Moss, of Fletcher, former pastor, and Rev. J. K. Parker, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, assisted in the services. Interment was in the city cemetery.
Active pallbearers were: Rob Rivers, J. E. Holshouser, Russell D. Hodges, Gordon Winkler, Bernard Dougherty, Bill Lovill, Dr. H. B. Berry, Jr., G. K. Moore.
Mrs. Linney was born in Taylorsville February 12, 1880, a daughter of William Bogie Matheson and Mrs. Mary Ayers Matheson. She was married January 24, 1900, to Frank A. Linney, who became one of the State's leading lawyers, and who had been United States District Attorney prior to his death in 1928. The family established residence in Boone in 1901.
Mrs. Linney had been a member of the Boone Methodist Church for about thirty years, was a charter member of the Woman's Missionary Society and had been given a life membership in that organization. She was the first Worthy Matron of the first Eastern Star chapter organized in Boone, and was a charter member of the Friday Afternoon Club.
Mrs. Linney is survived by one son and two daughters: Kenneth Linney, Boone; Mrs. Paul A. Coffey, Boone.

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Commerce Group Awards Prizes For Clean-Up

The annual clean-up, fix-up, paint-up campaign, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, came to an end last Saturday with the awarding of prizes, and belief is that the campaign was one of the most highly effective in the city's history.

The first prize for a residence went to Mrs. James Carter, for a vacant lot to Mrs. R. K. Bingham, and for a place of business to Watauga Hospital.
Honorable mention went to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Troutman for their work on a vacant lot, and to the Collins Body Shop and Cozy Corner business establishments.

In the parade, Earl Greene's sixth grade was given the award, which was received by Jody Shackford; Miss Isabell Mason's fifth grade won a prize, which was received by Molly Agle; honorable mention went to Mrs. Joe Crawford's third grade, the award being received by Margaret Len Hagaman.

At the close of the campaign Mayor Winkler expressed his appreciation for "one of the most successful clean-up campaigns in our history," praised those who won the awards, and told of (Continued on page six)

Court Adjourns Last Friday

The spring term of Watauga Superior Court adjourned Friday afternoon, after having disposed of 155 cases on a criminal docket which contained 191 indictments. Judge Allen Gwyn of Reidsville presided.

Forty-six defendants were charged with driving motor vehicles while intoxicated, each was assessed with the cost of the action, and his driving license revoked for eighteen months.
Nine were tried for violation of the prohibition laws and assessed with the costs; a number were charged with non-support, while speeding and reckless driving constituted the remainder of the docket.

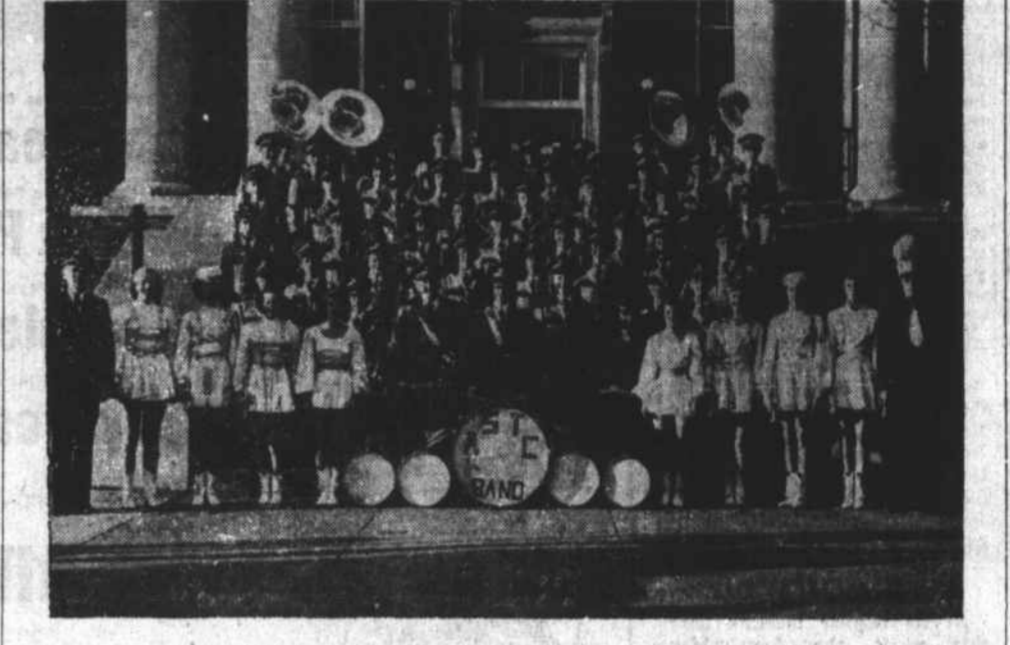
Marketing Problems Topic Of Dairymen

More than a hundred dairy farmers met at the courthouse in Boone on Friday night to hear the leaders in the industry discuss marketing problems.

Mr. R. G. Lytle, manager of the N. C. Milk Producers Federation, Inc., gave a review of milk marketing in North Carolina. He pointed out that during world war two the demand for milk caused the milk buying companies to expand and seek milk from all sources either far or near, and many grade A dairies (Continued on page four)

186 To Get Degrees At College Finals On May 11.

College Band To Appear In Concert



The music department of Appalachian State Teachers college will present a program by the Concert Band, under the direction of Gordon A. Nash, in the college auditorium, Thursday evening at eight-fifteen. The public is invited.
Numbers which the band will perform will include "El Caballero," a Spanish march by J. Olivadoti; "Poet and Peasant" Overture, by von Suppe; "In a Persian Market" by Albert W. Ketelby; Funiculi, Funicula, by Luigi Denza; "Pavanne" from the Second American Symphonette by Morton Gould; "George Gershwin Selections" arranged by David Bennett; "An American Week End" by John J. Morrissey. Solo features will be Miss Helen Winkler, in two marimba solos, "Caprice Viennois" by Fritz Kreisler, arranged by Mrs. Dorothy Kemp of the Appalachian music faculty, who will conduct this number; and "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" by Leon Jessel, arranged and conducted by J. W. Williams, Jr., a member of the senior class majoring in music.

Watauga River Is Closed to Anglers
The Watauga River from C. M. Shore place to the mouth of Beech Creek will be closed for game fishing May 1 to June 30, during the spawning period, it is announced by Tommy Osborne, district game protector.

Fly Control Program Is Planned With Rat War

The Sophomore Class of Appalachian High School will sponsor a paper drive on Saturday, May 5, beginning at 8:00 o'clock in the morning.
Townpeople are asked to bundle their old newspapers and magazines if possible and leave them in plain view so they may be collected.
The class would like to thank the townspeople for their wonderful cooperation in previous drives.
Proceeds from the drive will be used to finance class projects.

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Valle Crucis PTA

The Valle Crucis PTA will meet Monday May 21, at 7:45 p. m. This meeting was originally scheduled to have been held May 7.

Outline of Commencement Activities Released.

Appalachian State Teachers college will hold its commencement exercises at the college auditorium on Friday, May 11, at ten-thirty o'clock in the morning. The speaker will be the Honorable Malcolm McDermott, professor of law at Duke University.

Professor McDermott is widely known as a lawyer and educator. He is a graduate of Princeton University and of the Harvard University Law School. He practiced law in Knoxville, Tennessee, for some years, following which he became the Dean of the College of Law at the University of Tennessee. He has been professor of law at Duke University since 1930. He was visiting lecturer at the Universities of Krakow and Warsaw, Poland, in 1936.

The senior play will be given, as a part of the commencement exercises, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May 9 and 10th, at 8:00 p. m. The public is invited, and tickets are now on sale.
There are ten who expect to receive the master of arts degree. (Continued on page six)

District Legion Meeting Slated

There will be a meeting of the 30th District of the American Legion and Ladies' Auxiliary at the Legion Hut in Boone Saturday night, May 5, at 7:00 o'clock. Supper will be served by the Legion Auxiliary, Watauga Post 130.

General Pest Eradication Effort Seen For County.

Following through on the clean-up campaign an effort is being made to rid the town and county of pests also. To promote this work a meeting was called to plan a fly control program for the area. Mr. W. F. Warner, consultant on insect control from the Engineering Division of the State Board of Health met with leaders of the town and county on Wednesday, April 25, to advise as to best methods of procedure for lasting results. Mr. James Jones, rodent control consultant, was back again in this meeting since the control of rodents and flies can be carried out simultaneously at less expense and greater efficiency.
Mr. Jones pointed out that cleaning up breeding places for rats, also removed the filth from fly breeding. Cleaning up, building out and screening, starving and poisoning carried as a program throughout the county will relieve us of pests, but we must all work together or a rat harbor and fly breeding place will remain a source of menace to all, officials of the campaign warned.

The state consultants and local sanitarians made a quick survey of conditions in the areas before the meeting. They found much for all citizens to do. In spite of the city ordinance that calls for all garbage to be kept in tightly closed containers, they reported finding many cans with no lids or lids that were not in place and sticky decaying foods on and in the cans providing breeding places.
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Lenoir Road May Be Let In 51

Lenoir, N. C., April 25.—The North Carolina State Highway Commission plans to ask for bids for the construction of the remainder of the Lenoir-Blowing Rock highway early this summer. G. Mark Goforth, commissioner, announced.
The incomplete stretch of highway covers a distance of more than six miles, Mr. Goforth said. He said that the road would be completed by next Spring provided it could get underway this Summer.
In addition to grading, blasting out rock and topping, the project calls for the straightening of the highway in a large number of points.
The section of the highway which has already been completed is regarded as one of the finest pieces of highway engineering in western North Carolina.



Eight Watauga county residents, with an average age of more than 84 years, were honored at a party last Thursday, held at the Skyline Cafe. The old folks were brought together by W. L. Winkler, Boone, and the business men of the town financed the party in their honor. Dr. J. D. Rankin, and Superior Court Judge Allen Gwyn made short talks at the luncheon, following which some of the guests went to the movies, while others enjoyed a tour of the College campus.
Pictured are: First row, left to right: R. A. Hartley, 81; Mrs. Rebecca Tester, 85; Mrs. Callie Frances, 85; Mrs. Martha Bolick, 81; back row, left to right: Mrs. Sarah Perry, 85; Mrs. Lawrana Broyhill, 85; A. E. Wellborn, 92; Jerome Presnell, 161.
Mr. Winkler's survey indicates that there are 18 residents of Watauga, who are more than 90 years old. Ten of these, however, sent word they could not come because of illness. They are: Mrs. Sis Elliott of Vilas, 90; Zeb Mabery of Boone, 90; Mrs. Sallie Jane Davis of Boone, 91; Lilly Tidball of Boone, 90; J. G. Moretz of Mabel, 83; Jake Norris of Boone, 82; Mrs. M. B. "Ma" Blackburn of Boone, 81; Mrs. Pope of Reese, 108; Fin Moody of Vilas, 80; Alex Davis, 81.
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THREE FORKS ASSOCIATION TO MEET AT MEAT CAMP

The Three Forks Baptist Association will meet May 9, at the Meat Camp Baptist Church, which this year is observing its centennial, and the principal address will be delivered by Dr. John Waylan of North Wilkesboro. The session begins at 10 a. m.
The Association has 44 churches with a membership of 7,944 and a Sunday School enrollment of 3,807. Contributions for all church purposes during 1950 were \$106,072.56. The net gain in membership last year was 291.
Rev. R. C. Eggers is moderator, Wade E. Brown, vice-moderator and chairman of the executive committee.
Meat Camp Church, 100 years old, has a membership of 194. Clyde Brown is Sunday School superintendent and church clerk; W. H. Greene is church treasurer; Elmo Moretz is training union director and Mrs. Ennis Byers, president of Woman's Missionary Union. R. C. Eggers is pastor.