

KING STREET

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JUNE, traditionally the month of orange blossoms, and nuptial vows and honeymoons, brings the driest, hottest weather to the hill country in many moons, precipitation is almost nil, and the farmers and others who are mindful of the soil, fear for a serious shortage of food crops following one of the most arid Mays we have ever known. Summer visitors, however, from down below the mountains, are enjoying the "cool" weather, as we fume and perspire and complain, and wonder just what the heck a mountain man would do should he come face to face with honest to goodness warm sunshine. Saturday and Sunday brought particularly hot weather to Boone and environs and pedestrians are seen to congregate under the shade of the trees to escape the insistent rays of Sol, while home gardeners sadly view the wilting leaves of early vegetables, and cast hopeless eyes into the wide blue vault.

LOCUST BLOOMS bedeck the horny, tough trees in the vicinity, and the quantity of the little flowers this year is particularly impressive. The beautiful blooms, however, don't go in for vases, wilt immediately and are not easily revived as is the case with other flowers. Bee-keepers in this area look forward to the locust blooms as an indication of what the yield of honey will be. Many prefer the product of the locust bloom to that of the sourwood, long noted as a deluxe ingredient for the factories of the busy little bees.

ODDS AND ENDS: Hillside Dairy's new delivery car a modern and attractive vehicle, indicating continuing progress of the local plant. Hefty mother giving the baby his dinner in the old fashioned way, viewing the parade with nonchalance. Prevalence of empty beer cans on vacant lots and along the back streets of the city, leads some to wonder whether the foamy beverage was voted out, or just voted outdoors. Continued dry weather accents the danger of fire. Lowered water supplies and tinder dry structures makes the danger greater than usual. Those exhibition smokers appearing on cigarette ads on the tv, like some we see in private life, who just can't seem to torture a rag with careless abandon. Must make a considerable rite of the burning of the weed and invariably puff the first lungful smack into the face of the nearest spectator. In our best days as a nicotine fiend, it took all our spare time to keep burley burning by the most direct method, laying off all the flourishes.

BOONE COMES TO LIFE a couple of hours later than she used to, we discover when we take an early-morning trip over to the office. At about the time we used to go to work, we are apt to see none about the town, 'cept maybe the milkman, the lad who plunks down our daily newspapers, and sometimes Arlie Walsh, who takes up his duties as manager of the Smithey Store, too early in the day. And we miss the roosters who used to usher in each brand new day, "taking turns" about the city. We knew which bird was due to sound off first, last and in between. Now the song birds do the honors, and except for their glad chirpings, and the occasional roar of a through van the town is quiet until "way up in the day." A community can no longer be labeled a "country town" when the people take their first peeks out doors along toward eight. She has for a fact grown up!

"HERE IS THE MONEY" says Mrs. Peter Rossetos of Lanham, Maryland, "for two more years of the hometown newspaper. Your King Street words sure do a lot to the homesick heart. Only you can say those things—so unimportant to the stranger, and so important to the wandering Wataugans." Thanks. Local man tells us, "It rained in a timid sort of way every minute of Monday night," and our nocturnal watcher of the weather looked fresh as a daisy, notwithstanding his long vigil of the rain drops!



HIGHWAY PROMOTERS — State officials and civic leaders from North Carolina and Tennessee met recently in Johnson City to consider the completion of highway 603 as an interstate artery of transportation. Pictured are, left to right: Zeb Stewart, N. C. division highway engineer; Mark Goforth, N. C. division commissioner; Sam Esquire, Tenn. chief highway engineer; Herman Wilcox, president of the Boone Chamber of Commerce; W. R. Winkler, member of the highway committee, Boone Chamber of Commerce; Don Lewis, State Senator from Carter and Washington Counties, Tennessee. — Photo courtesy of Elizabeththton, Tenn. Star.

Leaders Two States Gather To Plan Completion "River Road"

Chamber Commerce To Be Host County Meeting

The Boone Chamber of Commerce is to meet next Tuesday at noon at the Skyland Restaurant, and the meeting will be attended by residents of both this city and Blowing Rock, while at least thirty rural residents of the county have been invited. Dr. A. P. Kephart, of Blowing Rock, chairman of the county promotional committee, will be in charge of the program, which is designed to further implement the Chamber of Commerce plan for the further development of

the entire area. Mr. Stanley A. Harris, Secretary of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, who announces the meeting, states that he is anxious for those in the county who supply either rooms or board for visitors, list the same at the Chamber of Commerce office. Town residents have become accustomed to doing this, and not only the visitors but the local people are aided by this public service of the Chamber.

Workshop Slated for Home Clubsters

On Tuesday, June 12th, Mr. Leon Mead of the American Crayon Company will hold the workshop for the home demonstration women of the county and any others who might be interested. Mr. Mead has been supervisor of art, Kittanning, Pennsylvania; supervisor of art, Bradford, Pennsylvania; instructor in art, University of Pittsburgh, and art consultant to the American Crayon Company, Sandusky, Ohio.

The meeting will begin at 9:30 a. m. at the American Legion Hut and will be over at 3:30 p. m. Those who attend will make some articles themselves and will need the following things:

1 yard washed and ironed cotton cloth, preferably Indian Head, 1 stencil set (2 people could go together in buying this) Some of these sets have been ordered and may be obtained at the home agent's office, several extra pieces of stencil paper and an extra brush, 1 plate, 1 small bottle turpentine.

Anyone who is interested in attending this workshop is asked to call the home agent by Saturday, June 9th and find out more about it. The program will consist of an introduction to fabric design, preparing the design stencils, and stenciling the fabric, plus a demonstration of the silk screen process of fabric printing.

PARWAY GROUP LAUDS THIS CITY

Mr. Herman Wilcox, president of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, has received the following appreciative letter, which is self-explanatory:

"Dear Mr. Wilcox: A special note to you to express our grateful appreciation for the wonderful cooperation we received from you and your associates on our recent Parkway Inspection tour. Your group made a wonderful impression upon the tour party. The activities arranged by you and your associates was most impressive. We are just sorry that we could not stay longer.

"You can rest assured that many inches of newspaper publicity and many words of radio comments have been made or published about our trip and our stop in your fine community. We are most grateful to those in your community who cooperated and for being such wonderful hosts. We are certain that your efforts will be repaid many times and the Carolina Motor Club is indebted to you for your splendid cooperation. Cordially yours, T. E. PICKARD, JR. Vice President-General Manager. Steel output will meet unprecedented demand, officials say.

DIES IN FALL FROM TRUCK

Bryan Holden Triplett, 41, a resident of Triplett, died from injuries sustained in a fall from a motor truck near Boone last Saturday.

Funeral services were held at Mount Ephraim Baptist Church at Triplett and burial was in the family cemetery Monday.

The widow survives, with a son and a daughter, Janice and Troy Triplett of the home. The mother, Mrs. Sarah Triplett, also survives.

Harriman says U. S. policies have frustrated Soviet Russia.

North Carolinians Ask Tennesseans To Join In Finishing 603.

A number of State officials and civic leaders from the States of North Carolina and Tennessee, gathered in Johnson City recently to lay plans for the completion of highway 603 between the two States, a project which has been of vital interest to this area for the past 25 years, and which local leaders have promoted diligently.

Among those present for the meeting were: C. F. Wayland, Jr., highway commissioner for the State of Tennessee; Sam Esquire, chief engineer for the Tennessee State highway department; Don Lewis, State Senator from Carter and Washington counties; William Waddell, Editor Elizabeththton Star; and the following from North Carolina: Mark Goforth district highway commissioner; Zeb Stewart, division engineer; James Council, assistant division engineer; Dr. B. B. Dougherty, W. R. Winkler, Gordon H. Winkler, and Herman Wilcox.

A thorough discussion of the so-called Watauga River road ensued. Mr. Wayland, while noting the worthiness of the project, would not commit his state until a locating survey could be made, which is to be completed within six months. Actually, it is said the survey should be completed in three or four months, by which time it is believed the Governors of the two States will be able to reach final agreement on the completion of the road.

Mr. Goforth stated that Carolina desired to meet Tennessee at the State line with 603 as quickly as possible, and that the State was anxious to do its share when he could be assured Tennessee would build its share.

Dr. Dougherty told the Tennessee officials that Carolina has spent over a million dollars in good faith on this road, feeling assured that our good neighbors to the west would go along. The Tennessee link would only cost about one hundred and fifty thousand, it was said.

Following the meeting the party made a tour of the proposed project to the State line.

Dairy Month Is Being Observed

Roy Rusty, chairman of June Dairy Month Observance in Watauga county reports a very successful meeting on Thursday evening May 31 at the Skyline Restaurant.

The purpose of the special emphasis upon dairy products during June is to promote the growth and understanding of the dairy industry; to keep citizens informed about the nutritional value of all dairy foods; to increase dairy products sales during this peak production period, thus providing dairy farmers stable market for their milk at the time of year when surplus production tends to become a problem.

Grocerymen, cafe owners, milk producers and distributors, health department staff, representatives of civic clubs, doctors, dentists and all those interested in the production, sale and use of dairy products were invited to attend. At the meeting, Miss Madeline McCain, health educator, spoke on the importance of milk in the diet and showed interesting posters on milk that she had used in her work teaching school children about foods. Mr. James Brown, county sanitarian, demonstrated a drawn thermometer showing the different temperatures that milk-borne disease germs are killed

Typhoid Clinic Dates Given Out By Health Office

It is time to hold the typhoid clinics for this year and vaccinations for whooping cough, diphtheria and smallpox will also be offered. Because most people are now taking their typhoid shots once each year instead of taking three doses every two or three years, each point on the clinic schedule will be visited only once. If anyone needs to be vaccinated more than one time he can get his second and third doses by coming to the health department or by attending one of the other clinics. We suggest that you clip this schedule and post it so as to remind you not to miss the clinic in your community. The schedule for clinics will be as follows:

June 13, Vilas, Glenn's Store, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Cove Creek, Moody's Store, 11:00-12:00 noon; Jim Mast's Store, 1:00-2:00 p. m.; Silverstone, Wilson's Store, 2:30-3:30 p. m.; Mabel Store, 4:00-5:00 p. m.

June 14, Poplar Grove Church, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Shulls Mills Postoffice, 11:00-12:00 noon; Foscoe Store, 1:00-2:00 p. m.; Grandfather, Fox Store, 2:30-3:30 p. m. June 15, Timbered Ridge Church, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Peoria, Green Valley Church, 11:00-12:00 noon.

June 19, Rich Mountain School, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Winebarger school-Church, 10:30-11:30 a. m.; Green Valley School, 1:00-2:00 p. m.; Sands, Tom Jones Store, 2:30-3:30 p. m.

June 19, Perkinsville Store, 4:00-5:00 p. m. June 20, Laxon Postoffice, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Deep Gap School, 10:30-11:30 a. m.; Stony Fork, 1:00-2:00 p. m.; Howell's Store, 2:30-3:30 p. m.

June 21, Hagaman's Store, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Bethel School, 10:30-11:30 a. m.; Dean Reese's Store, 1:00-2:00 p. m.; Victor Ward's Store, 3:00-4:00 p. m.

June 28, Howard Mast's Store, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Matney Store, 10:30-11:30 a. m.; Rominger Postoffice, 1:00-2:00 p. m.; Valley Crucis School, 3:00-4:00 p. m. June 29, Bamboo School, 9:00-10:00 a. m.; Rutherford, Michael's Store, 10:30-11:30 a. m.; Triplett Postoffice, 1:30-2:30 p. m.

TAMARACK DOGS QUARANTINED

The entire Tamarack section of Watauga county has been placed under three week's quarantine for rabies, extending June 1 through June 21, 1951 by order of Dr. Mary Michal, District Health Officer. All dogs in this section are to be kept tied and any sick dog seen by a veterinarian or Mr. James E. Brown, Sanitarian for Watauga county at the District Health Department in Boone.

There was recently a mad dog in this section verified by laboratory examination at the State laboratory of hygiene in Raleigh. It is again urged that all dogs that have not been vaccinated against rabies be vaccinated at once.

Aids in X-Ray Survey

Miss Iris Turlington, from the tuberculosis section of the State Board of Health, is with the local health department to help with the advance advertising and promotion of the mass x-ray survey to be held in this county, July 7 through August 8. Miss Turlington will be in Boone until July 12.

Taft advocates pay rise when living costs increase.

Tri-County Lamb Show To Be Held Here Friday

Mayor Winkler Gets Approval Democrats

Gordon H. Winkler, who is finishing his fourth term as mayor of Boone, was renominated by the Democrats of the town in convention at the courthouse Monday evening.

In the balloting between Mayor Winkler and W. R. Cottrell, Winkler received 68 votes and Cottrell 19.

Grady Tugman, Guy Hunt and Grady Moretz, the last two being incumbents, were nominated for aldermen. The name of Councilman Cooke, who has served with distinction for the past several years was not offered, since Mr. Cooke is in the army at this time.

The vote was: Tugman 73, Hunt 79, Moretz 69, Raleigh Cottrell, who asked that his name be with-

drawn, received 36 votes. Wade E. Brown introduced a resolution of sympathy and appreciation to Mr. King and the following were named to membership in the Democratic executive committee of the city:

D. M. Edmisten, E. Ford King, Homer Brown, Mrs. Rob Rivers and Mrs. Ruth McConnell.

Mr. L. K. Pritchett acted as chairman of the convention in the absence of E. Ford King, who is ill, and Dr. D. J. Whitener was Secretary. Frank Payne, Homer Brown and Herbert Wey assisted in distributing ballots and tabulated the vote.

Local Republicans have made no announcement yet as to their convention plans. The election is to be held June 19.

Spanish War Veterans Of State To Meet Here

The annual State encampment of the veterans of the Spanish-American war will be held at the Daniel Boone Hotel in Boone, June 10-12, according to Albert Watson of this city, former State Commander, and no less than one hundred are expected to gather at the reunion of the men who went to grips with Spain in the war of the late nineties.

Mr. Watson states that a feature of the encampment will be the memorial services to be held

at the Methodist church Sunday evening June 10 at 8 o'clock, at which time the pastor, Rev. J. T. Shackford, will officiate.

Veterans of all wars are invited to attend the services. More than fifty reservations have been received at the local hotel, and veterans are expected from North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia.

It is asked that business firms display flags and bunting during the encampment.

Adult Softball, Kiddies Play Mark Opening Summer Recreation Here

With the official opening of the adult softball and the preschool age playground between the Methodist and Baptist Churches this week, the summer recreation program moved into action. All teams are scheduled to play two games this week and each week according to the printed schedule placed with each manager. Bill Murray, supervisor of the league, indicated that the rule relating to enlistment of each player on only one team will be suspended for the next two weeks, until the vacation period is over and community events are once more in full swing.

Equipment for each game is to be secured in the following way: A large locker box has been placed in the basement of the Methodist Parsonage. Two bags of complete equipment will be ready in the box. The manager of the first team listed on the schedule is to go to the box and secure the equipment, carry it to the field before game time, distribute it, check it at the end of the game, and turn it over to the manager of the other team who

is responsible for returning it to the box, double-checking to see that the proper equipment is in the bag for the next day. Equipment will consist of a minimum of a set of bases, three bats, two balls, a mask, and a catcher's mitt.

Joseph T. Shackford, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce recreation committee, though happy over these two phases of the program, was distressed over the failure of institutions to come forward with teams for the boys and girls league. Four teams will be necessary in each league before a schedule can be arranged. Each team must have an adult sponsor. Boys teams of the ages 6-8, 9-11, 12-14 are urged to register with Mr. Shackford. Girls teams 8-12, 13-18, are urged to register with Mrs. Charles Wilfong. As soon as proper teams are registered, schedules will be announced and team play will begin.

The children must be provided for. They cannot operate without the initiative of the adults. Can't we have the teams registered this week?

FARM INCOME

Gross farm income for 1950 is estimated at \$2.1 billion dollars, almost equal the 1949 figure of \$2.2 billion. This gross includes the value of home-consumed farm products, rental value of farm dwellings, and government payments to farmers in addition to cash receipts from marketings.

SUMMER TERM TO START ON JUNE 19

The nine-weeks summer school term for the local Demonstration High School begins on Tuesday morning, June 19. Junior and senior English, American History, Civics, Algebra I, biology, geometry, general science and typing will be offered. Other subjects will also be offered if there is a demand for them.

Buses will run from Deep Gap, Green Valley, Blowing Rock, Cove Creek, and Poplar Grove. Bus drivers are needed for the Deep Gap, Blowing Rock, and Cove Creek runs. Anyone wishing to drive one of these buses for the summer please contact Dr. Herbert Wey or Mr. Chappell Wilson.

Students planning to attend Summer School should notify Mrs. Francis Greene, secretary Appalachian High School. The Boone Elementary School will open its summer session on June 26, and run for eight weeks.

Cattle shipments to twenty centers of U. S. become normal.

4-H Club Members To Compete For Prizes In Six Classes.

The Tri-County 4-H Lamb Show will be held this year at the Boone Livestock Market at Perkinsville at 1:00 p. m. on Friday, June 8th. This is an annual event, held by Ashe, Alleghany, and Watauga counties. 4-H boys and girls of the three counties will enter lambs in the show to compete for prize money. An auction will be held just after the show is over for those boys and girls who care to sell their lambs. Anyone desiring to purchase a good lamb should remain for the auction.

The classes and prizes are: Class I—Individual lambs: first prize, \$20.00; second \$15.00; third \$10.00; fourth \$9.50; with prize money of \$1.00 or more being paid to the first thirty entries.

Class II—Pen of three lambs: first prize \$10.00; second \$8.00; third \$6.00; fourth \$4.00; fifth \$2.00.

Class III—County group of five: first prize \$15.00; second \$10.00 and third \$5.00.

Class IV—Lambs sired by registered rams: first prize \$6.00, second \$5.00; third \$4.00; fourth \$3.00; fifth \$2.00.

Class V—Registered ewe lambs: first prize \$6.00; second \$5.00; third \$4.00; fourth \$3.00; fifth \$2.00.

Class VI—Registered ram lambs: first prize \$6.00; second \$5.00; third \$4.00; fourth \$3.00; and fifth \$2.00.

The show will begin at 1:00 o'clock on Friday afternoon. 4-H boys and girls entering the show should have their lambs at the livestock yards by 10:00 in the morning.

DEMOCRATS IN PRAISE MR. KING

The following resolution, introduced by Representative Wade E. Brown, was unanimously approved at the Democratic convention for the city of Boone on Monday night:

That whereas, Mr. E. Ford King has been the chairman of the Democratic executive committee for the town of Boone for a long number of years, and whereas, he has rendered valuable and faithful service in the interest of the democratic party within said town of Boone, as well as in the county and state giving unselfishly of his time, effort and wise counsel, and under his leadership the Democratic party has made progress and has been able to give the people of the town of Boone the excellent service which has been rendered largely because of his wise leadership.

And whereas, it is regretted by this convention that his health does not permit him to be present,

Now therefore, be it resolved, by the Democratic convention duly assembled on this date that we extend our unanimous thanks and appreciation for the outstanding service which he has rendered and do hereby express our sincere thanks for his service and wish for him a speedy recovery to full and complete health.

The resolution bore the signatures of L. K. Pritchett, convention chairman, and Dr. D. J. Whitener, secretary.

YDC TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS

The Young Democratic Club of Watauga county will hold an important business meeting at the courthouse on Saturday, June 9 at 8:00 p. m. It is very important that every member be in attendance at this meeting.

Officers will be elected at that time for the 1951-52 year. This will be a most important year in the affairs of the democratic party as it will be a year of preparation for both the presidential and gubernatorial elections, says Jim Taylor, president of the club.

Officers to be elected are president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and the executive committee composed of one member from each township in the county.