

### Early Democrat Files

SIXTY YEARS AGO  
Items From The Democrat Of  
February 11, 1932

The Ashe Reporter says a salt spring has been discovered near Jefferson.

Boone will have a weather station established very soon. So we can announce the weather prognostications for the benefit of the agricultural community.

The town commissioners of Boone want to employ an expert dog killer at the beginning of hot weather. There are 37 dogs that use on the streets.

Ed S. Coffey has returned from the Supreme Court at Raleigh, where he obtained court license to practice law in this State. We have not heard him say whether he would locate in Boone or elsewhere. We wish him much success, as he is an excellent young man.

The asbestos mine on Rich Mountain bids fair to become an important one. Preparations are being made to work a number of hands in the near future. Watauga county will, in a few years, become an extensive mining section for iron, mica, gold, silver, asbestos, etc. All it needs is development.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 2—The historic old Appomattox courthouse building was destroyed by fire yesterday. All of the county records and the court house furnishings were entirely consumed. . . . The McLayne house, in which General Lee signed the terms of surrender to General Grant was at one time threatened with destruction.

THIRTY-NINE YEARS AGO  
Items From The Democrat Of  
February 13, 1913

The eyes of the people are on Boone just now, and real estate is changing hands rapidly.

Rev. W. R. Savage of Blowing Rock will preach in the Episcopal Church in Boone at 11 a. m. Sunday.

Our venerable friend, Mr. Azor Hartley, is very feeble, but is no worse than he has been for several days.

Within the past few weeks we have had some right severe freezes, but not enough to make ice fit to harvest, and the ice houses in the village remain empty.

James W. McGhee, who since its beginning, has directed the work on the Avery county courthouse, is at home for a couple of weeks to give the carpenters time to catch up with some work. The building is practically completed.

Messrs John H. Bingham and John E. Brown, both of Sugar Grove, this county, were granted license to practice law by the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

Mr. J. M. May has sold his pretty town property to Mr. J. R. Johnston, a prominent citizen of Ashe county, the purchase price being \$2,000. Mr. May will give possession Oct. 1, and move to his farm at Tracy.

Lindsay Greene, of Stony Fork, who was so fearfully mutilated by the explosion of dynamite in a tunnel on the Watauga Railway week before last, is still living, and is reported as im-

proving. He is conscious, but is not aware that his eyes were literally blown from his head, and is laboring under the impression that his sight will return.

Larkin Hodges, whose serious illness we noted last week, died at his home west of town early Thursday morning, and was buried the following afternoon in the Hines graveyard, the funeral being conducted by the Rev. J. M. Payne.

### Says Truman May Not Run Again

By JACK BELL

Washington — President Truman's announcement that he is going to let the political river take its course, with a little steering now and then, was interpreted in some administration circles as indicating he does not plan to run again.

It has been learned authoritatively by this reporter that some of Truman's closest friends now do not believe he will seek re-nomination — barring unforeseen developments.

One of these friends, who can not be named, told me that although the President apparently hasn't confided his decision to anyone, the inner circle of his associates looks for him to step aside at the proper time and name his choice for the nomination.

Believing as he does that Sen. Robert Taft is the likely GOP choice, Truman was reported to feel that the Democrats have a good chance to win next November's election. If that looks reasonably certain, friends said Truman will be happy to retire from the scene.

The President was depicted as realizing that some other Northern Democratic candidate would be likely to command more support in the South than he could because of the antagonism over his civil rights program.

### Prince Charles Heir To Throne

London—Prince Charles became heir to the throne last week. After him, the line of succession is:

Princess Anne, daughter of Elizabeth.

Princess Margaret, sister of Elizabeth.

Duke of Gloucester, brother of the late King.

Prince William, son of the Duke of Gloucester.

Prince Richard, son of the Duke of Gloucester.

Duke of Kent, son of the late Duke of Kent who was the King's brother.

Princess Alexandra, sister of the Duke of Kent.

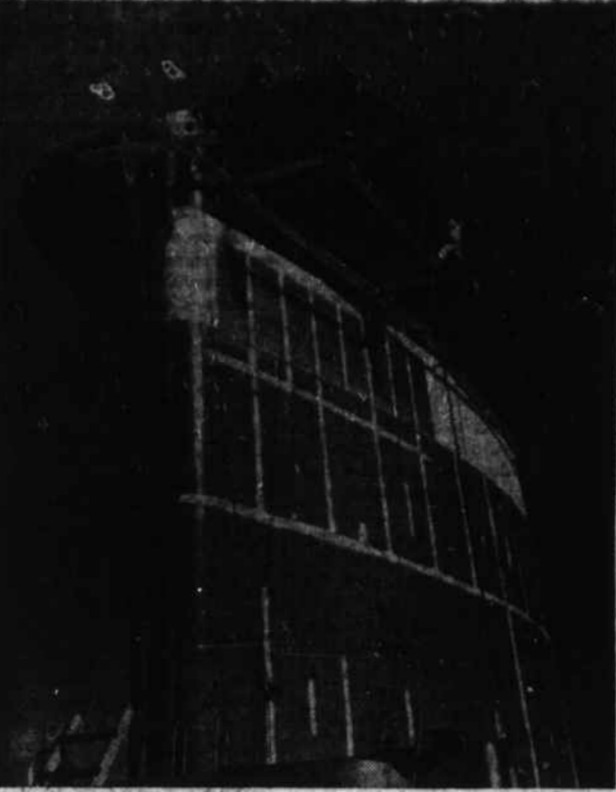
Princess Michael, brother of the Duke of Kent.

The Princess Royal, sister of the late King.

The Earl of Harewood, son of the Princess Royal.

Gerald David Lascelles, son of the Princess Royal.

### Largest Stacks In World Get a Grooming



Painters working 175 feet above the keel of the new superliner United States looked dwarfed by one of the two giant stacks which are 60 feet long and 55 feet high. The "saman" top which serves to deflect exhaust up and away from the sun and sports decks is a distinctive feature of both the United States and the America, present flagship of the United States Lines. The stacks are made entirely of aluminum and sections are held together by 65,000 aluminum rivets. The 590 foot liner, the largest ever built in America and the most modern passenger ship in the world, will compete in speed with the fastest foreign flagships now in service. More than 85% complete, the United States, being built at the Newport News (Va.) Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company yard, will make her maiden voyage from New York to Havre and Southampton July 3 in the United States Lines' transatlantic service.

### HEALTH and BEAUTY

By DR. SOPHIA BRUNSON  
HOW TO KEEP FIT

The conscientious physician is the only professional man who is always laboring to train people to dispense with his services. By painstakingly educating the public in the principles of hygiene and healthful living he renders humanity an inestimable service, but at the same time he is busily engaged in reducing his own income, for the knowledge which he so generously imparts enables many people to keep well, and to dispense with the services of a doctor.

The road to health, though pleasant, is not always easy. It requires willpower in order to live hygienically and biologically as nature intended. Neglect your exercise and you invite disease, which promptly accepts the invitation. Begin your health training when you awaken in the morning. Drink a glass of water on rising.

Wash your face in cold water,

then stand before an open window and take deep breaths. Rise on your toes, raise the arms over your head and breathe in, inflating the lungs to the utmost capacity. Slowly descend at the same time lowering the arms and breathing out.

Repeat five or six times. Rest and relax a moment. Repeat as before, only hold the breath for a moment or two, while you percuss the chest and abdomen. Breathe out with resistance. This is done by trying to hold the breath back, letting it out very slowly while you are breathing out. This is good exercise, though a little difficult at first, it becomes easy with practice. This exercise brings the body erect, and the chest forward. The deep breathing invigorates the entire body.

The writer's car was parked on Main street recently. While she waited she saw people marching by. Men with humps on their backs and curved-in

stomachs were slouching along, looking as if they were only half alive. Some girls she saw walking, or rather hobbling on shoes with high heels. There were only a few men or women who swung along with straight spines and lifted chests. Very few who went by looked well aesthetically or physically. Their attitudes and manner of locomotion bespoke habits of mental and physical laziness or dejection.

The purpose of these articles is to persuade people to cultivate their bodies along with their minds, and at the same time to show them how even the East Indians and Chinese practiced deep breathing. The teachers belonged to the priestly orders. They taught that the retention of the air in respiration produced much the same effect upon the body as fire does upon metals, namely, it purifies them. We know that oxygen cleanses the blood and that through deep breathing we obtain the greatest amount of it.

Another exercise that is especially beneficial is produced by tensing the muscles. Standing erect, extending the arms horizontally upon the shoulders, tense the whole body and turn from side to side, at the same time keeping the muscles tensed. The tensing begins with the legs below the knee and gradually extends until it embraces the entire person. Rest and relax when tired. Drink another glass of water.

### Home From Korea

T-Sgt. John T. Coffey, who has served for fourteen months with the third infantry division in Korea, has arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Coffey, Boone, N. C., R. F. D. 1, where he will spend thirty days. He will return to Fort Jackson, S. C. for further assignment.

### Barbara Ann Potter Rites Held Monday

Barbara Ann Potter, 2 years old, died at the Haagman Clinic Saturday, and funeral services were held Monday at 2 o'clock at the Meat Camp Baptist Church, burial being in the church cemetery. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Potter survive, with two brothers and six sisters.

In the eastern half of the United States there are approximately 230,000,000 acres of grassland.

### ONE WAY TO DO IT

Bell, Calif.—Taking a look at her untidy house, Mrs. Kathleen Tossey told police she concluded it would be easier to set fire to the place than clean it—which she proceeded to do. She went up into the attic, tossed a box of burning matches into a pile of paper, went down stairs and relaxed by engaging in a telephone conversation. She was taken to jail in lieu of \$2,000 bond on a charge of arson.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our many friends for the kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our dear mother and wife.—Mrs. Grady Hodges, C. W. Hicks.

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We wish to express our thanks to our friends and neighbors for their kindness and help in our bereavement, due to the death of our little granddaughter, Jane Williams.—Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hodges.

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We wish to thank our many friends for their kindnesses, expressions of sympathy and beautiful flowers tendered us during the illness and burial of our mother, Mrs. Josephine Hicks.—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hicks, Mrs. Cora Harmon.

Americans were able to consume per person 13 per cent more food than they did in 1935-39, even though the number of persons engaged in agriculture is considerably less than in the pre-war period.

### DEFENSE SPENDING

Since the start of the Korean war, the Defense Department has ordered a total of \$33,990,000,000 worth of weapons, other equipment, food, clothing, and military construction.



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