

Valentine Dance, Coronation At Appalachian High Saturday

Typing Classes Advance; History Class Studies Famous Men; Gymnastic Club Performs; Other News from the Local High School

On Saturday evening, February 15, the sophomore class of Appalachian High School will sponsor the annual Valentine Dance in the high school gymnasium from 8:00 p. m. until 11:00. The music will be furnished by one of the newer names in music around Boone, "Three Cats and a Kitten," which gave us such wonderful music for the Homecoming dance in the fall. The tickets for the dance, which are 50c (single) and 75c (couple) are now on sale from any member of the sophomore class, but if you prefer, you may wait until the evening and buy them at the door.

The highlight of the evening will be the coronation of the King and Queen of hearts chosen by the student body of the high school by popular vote. The candidates for queen are: Landy Brown, Billie Jean Storie, Jeanette Cook, Ruby Lee Hartley, Thelma Phillips, Laura Holshouser, Betty Ann Edmisten, Faye Critcher, Ruby Greer, Peggy Wellborn, and Peggy Greer. The following boys are candidates for king: Jerry Troutman, Harold Ragan, Charles Taylor, Billy Lyons, Tony Winkler, Charles Michael, Bill Talbert, John Edgar Brown, J. E. Green, and Harbin Moretz.

The proceeds from the dance will go into the sophomore class fund to bear the expenses which come to a class during its junior and senior years. It is felt that everyone will benefit more from working together on the dance and helping others to have an evening of entertainment, than they would by having to contribute the sum to fill these needs.

Plan to attend the dance, parents, students and friends of the school as well as wanting to enjoy a fine dance.

First Year Typing Class

Under the supervision of Mr. Dan Harrington, student teacher, the members of Mr. Lee's beginning typing class have acquired the ability to type with a reasonable degree of accuracy, and at a fairly fast rate of speed. Frequent speed tests are given for the building of speed. For the emphasis on accuracy, the students are motivated by competing with the other two beginning typing classes.

Each class had a bus on a bulletin board in the typing room, and a course was laid out of the principal cities between Boone and Miami. As a class would increase its average rate of speed five words per minute, the bus

"Paul Said to Mr. Ed:"



(A Personal Message)

Having acted as chairman of the Watauga County Cancer Drive for two years, I know Mr. Jack Idol and his co-workers need every break to make their quota in his March of Dimes drive. The saying that we will do and sacrifice most anything for our children still goes. We shudder—we pray—that our children and our neighbors' children will be spared from this dreadful disease.

Some times we listen to rumors that some of the money has been spent for dinners. All dinners I have been to were paid by each member. By each person in Watauga County giving eighteen cents, we would raise our quota. The next child may be my son or your son or your daughter—in this case it will be more blessed to give than to receive.

Your friendly agent,
(Paul)
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of that class would advance to the next city. Miss Eaton's class moved closer to Miami than did the other two classes, although they were only one city behind. A very noticeable advancement was made by all classes in both speed and accuracy.

For the past four weeks Mr. Lee's class has been learning the different letter styles. Knowing that many of the students will some day go into office work, the students were given a budget of the different styles they have learned. If they keep these letters, they can refer to them when they do go into actual office work.

The students considered the idea as being worthwhile due to the fact that they could not take their typing books with them after they have completed their education and they may not be able to conveniently obtain information on letter styles elsewhere.

10th Grade World History Class

The 10th grade World History class has completed their relief map of Europe. This semester we are using part of one class each week to portray the lives of famous men in the form of a quiz program. The program is recorded with three chances to identify the person. Each clue is easier than the preceding one. Scores are recorded and at the present several members of the class are tied for the lead.

Shirley Ann Norris 20 points, Tilton Moretz 20, Wanda Moretz 20, Johnny Ray 20, Carolyn Wood 20, Sabra Swink 17, Rex Barnes 17, Joyce Johnson 17, Jimmy Brendle 17, Claude Austin 15, Billie Jean Storie 15, Norma Jean Phillips 15, Clara Jean Moretz 15, Marsha P. Herrick 12.

Boys' Physical Education Classes

Gymnastics Club

During the half of the basketball game with Mt. City, the boys in the gymnastics club presented a few routines which they have been working on. Tumbling is excellent in teaching a boy self-confidence and coordination. The boys in the club are looking forward to presenting another half-time show on February 15 during the basketball game with Taylorsville.

Boys' "A" Club

The Boys' "A" Club recently inducted eleven new members into their club. These new members being: Milton Barden, John Norris, Bill Brown, Kim Miller, Gene Reed, Buddy McGuire, Charles Winkler, John E. Brown, Vance Northen, and Jimmy

Idol

A covered dish supper in honor of the old members was given last Thursday night by the new boys being inducted into the club.

8th Grade Physical Education

The ninth grade boys are taking a First Aid course with the American Red Cross First Aid Manual as the text. The boys receive a thirty hour course in training to become qualified "First Aiders."

In their gym classes the boys have been playing basketball, with emphasis on fundamentals, volleyball and have been doing some tumbling.

Sophomore Boys

Mr. Graham's sophomore boys are presently studying the various systems of the body including the digestion system, the respiratory systems and the circulatory systems among others.

This class also had a unit on "Foods and their Value" in which the boys studied the needs of a proper diet and the foods necessary to supply the body with the proper minerals and vitamins.

In their gym classes the boys have played a round robin schedule in basketball among the squads in the class. Volleyball is proving very popular with the boys and instruction in the sport during class is being applied to the present intra-homerom tournaments being conducted in volleyball.

Junior Boys

The Junior boys are studying the various phases of safety which includes safety in the home, at school and play, water safety, correct care in the handling of fire arms, and driver safety.

Film strips and motion picture films are being used as supplementary material in this course. One of the highlights of the classwork the past week was a short talk by Patrolman Parker of the State Highway Patrol.

In their activity classes the Junior boys play basketball, volleyball and badminton. An outstanding match is anticipated when the Junior boys meet a team of Senior boys in a volleyball match.

Senior Boys

In the Senior boys class, a unit on marriage and sex hygiene is now being presented. This class is discussing the preparation for marriage, the purpose of courtship, the engagement period and the reasonable expectations in marriage. The classes are highlighted by group discussions.

In their activity classes the senior boys have been playing volleyball, badminton, basketball, and have been participating in tumbling.

Playettes

Eighth grade pupils of Miss Aker's English class and Mrs. Hamby's and Mr. Nolan's health classes will present Monday, first period, three short playettes which they have written.

The names of the plays and the casts for each follow:

"A Health Dream"

Mary, Betty Bredell; Sue, Barbara Story; Mrs. White, Budie Wey; Pollo Germ, Aaron Carroll; Scarlet Fever Germ, Glenna Mae Dotson; Cold Germ, Dorothy Carroll; Rheumatic Fever, Rebecca Barnes; T. B., Edward Harmon; Director, Brenda Mast; Prompter, Christine Hartley; Staging, Brenda Mast and Christine Hartley.

"Colds: Beware"

Carolyn Martin, Barbara Winkler; Jane Martin, Ruth Wilson; Mrs. Martin, Ann Cottrell; Cough, James Burris; Sniffle, Herbert Townsend; Speaker, J. W. Wellborn; Bill Williams, Owen Greer; Costumes, Mary W. Hodges; Stage Manager, Earlene Woodring; Prompters, Betty Miller and Mary Louise Wheeler; Director, Laura Holshouser.

"Mess at Mid-Night"

Undertaker, Tom Lawrence; Sleuth McGee, Philip Templeton; Mug Malone, Billy Collins; Chick Malone, Freda Greer; Jane Rose (Reporter), Judy Dames; John D. Rockefeller, Keith Phillips; Maggie, Annie Ashley; Mrs. Domboski, Betty Jo Dyer; Butler, Wayne Triplett; Mrs. Rockefeller, Lynda Taylor.

Wildlife Club

The Wildlife Club put some big irons in the fire this past Thursday. Mr. Ted Mitchell, district biologist, from Statesville, came up to appear on the club program. He talked to the club members on the need of conservation with emphasis on wildlife. During his talk Mr. Mitchell projected color slides on the screen, showing the members and guests various pictures of projects over the state. Directions were given for the planting of lespedeza as food and the multiflora rose as cover for wildlife.

The club is planning to plant some lespedeza and roses as projects of the club for the conservation of our game birds and other birds and animals of the fields and woods. Club members are planning to work as closely as possible with the local Wildlife Club. Mr. Raleigh Cottrell, president of the local club, Mr. Fred Gragg, past president, and Mr. Howard Williams, Director of Soil Conservation for the Boone area, were guests of the high school club to hear Mr. Mitchell. After the regular meeting the club members and guests travel-

ed out to Mr. Perry's farm to inspect a project carried out by the high school club two years ago. Seed could still be found to indicate the type of food the lespedeza plants afford the birds and other animals when snow covers all other types. Projects will be carried on by the members of the Wildlife Club in the near future.

Biology Class

The biology students are thinking that Spring must be just around the corner. At any rate, the pet garter snake thinks so. Sometime Thursday morning the pet shed his dull winter coat and added a bright new one. All the students agree that he looks much better although they think it would have been much nicer had he waited until Easter.

The biology classes are beginning a new unit of study this week, the study of the human body. Students are compiling a list of questions which they would like to have answered during the time spent covering the unit. They have really dug up some good ones, so Mr. Lancaster says.

The audio-visual aid that have been collected to aid in enriching the learning situations are from many sources, including a human skeleton from the college, "Oscar" the Manikin, from Mr. Nolan and the Physical Education Dept., and charts from Miss Guy, plus a few other aids from here and there. The unit is intended to cover about three weeks.

Bookmobile Schedule

Wed., February 20
Shulls Mills, Shore's Station, 9:30 a. m.; Foscoe, N. Church's Store, 10:00 a. m.; Grandfather, Andrews Store, 10:30 a. m.; Cool Springs, home of Edd Yates, 11:15 a. m.; Cool Springs School, 11:30 a. m.; Cool Springs, home of Jean Baird, 1:00 p. m.
Thurs., February 21
Deep Gap School, 9:30 a. m.; Deep Gap Post Office, 12:30 p. m.; Stony Fork School, 1:00 p. m.; Stony Fork, home of Mrs. E. H. Greene, 1:45 p. m.; Deep Gap, home of Mrs. Blanche Stewart, 2:00 p. m.
No trips if weather is bad.

PAY-RISE

Pay scales for construction workers continued to rise during the last quarter of 1951, but at a slower pace than they were climbing a year ago, according to the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. The biggest pay boosts in the final quarter of 1951 went to bricklayers—an average of 7.8 cents an hour to a January 2 average of \$3.06 an hour.

Job offers for college graduates plentiful, survey shows.

News And Views Of The Farmers

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Some of the states leading vegetable growers and leaders will discuss production and marketing problems at the county courthouse in Boone on Friday, February 15, starting at 9:30 a. m.

We will discuss the following subjects that should interest all cabbage, bean and potato growers in the county: Vegetable diseases, vegetable insects, vegetable varieties, and vegetable marketing.

Livestock Program

We have arranged a program for Friday, February 22, at the county courthouse for the beef cattle, sheep and hog raiser of the county. The program is planned as follows:

- 9:45—Purpose of the school.
- 10:15—Marketing livestock, H. D. Quessenberry, marketing specialist, N. C. Department of Agriculture.
- 10:45—Feeding and management of hogs, Jack Kelley, in charge extension animal husbandry.
- 11:30—Feeding and management of sheep.
- 1:30—Beef cattle, J. S. Buchanan, Extension Animal Husbandry Specialist.
- 2:15—Place of livestock on farm in Watauga county, Doris D. Brown, farm management specialist.

Feeder Calf Meeting

Beef cattle producers of Watauga and adjoining counties will

meet at the county agents office on Thursday night, February 21, to discuss plans for a feeder calf sale in Boone for 1952. Beef cattle producers are urged to attend.

Of every four acres cultivated by North Carolina farmers, one is devoted to corn.

SONIC-SPEED CRAFT

The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics forecasts stepped-up gains in flying aircraft faster than sound. Initial fears of a "formidable barrier" to sound velocity planes are being dispelled, the committee said, by research and experiment.



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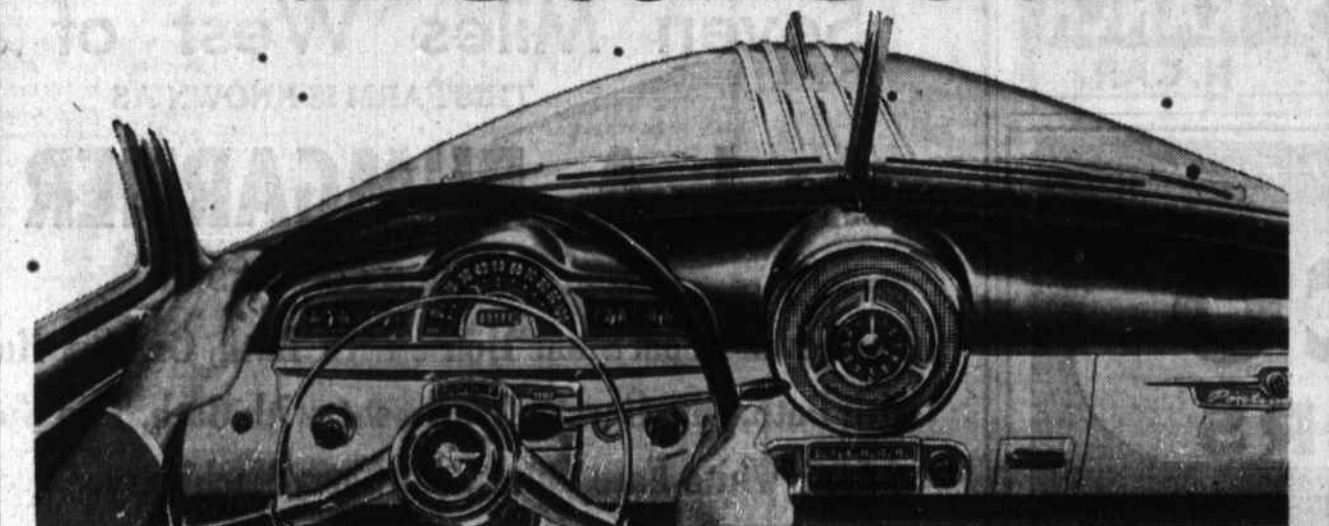
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