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ROB RIVERS

ONCE LOOKED FOR GOLD As Boone grew and developed into the educational center of Carolina, as tourists by the hundreds of thousands began to drive through on the Parkway, and as fine Hereford cattle, and grade A dairy barns came to be commonplace on the farms of Watauga, we had forgotten that a few years ago, mining prospectors centered their activities in Boone and the old-timers had visions of a flourishing camp, Leadville, Colorado, stories began to spread of the gold and copper and stuff in the . . Thomas Williams his two sons, and nephew, Charlie Williams, of Richfield Springs, New York, were among those who were lured to the hills by the outcroppings of free gold and set us their abode in the old "yellow house," where all newcomers resided, some forty-odd years ago . . . Charlie Williams came to town the other day and

ern homes came to the moun-MARCH OF PROGRESS

looked us up to comment on the

a hand to the hard-rock miners

before roads, and cars, and mod-

Charlie was glad to be back on the trails he traveled as a youth . . . He indicated great progress that has been made since those early days, when ox-teams were rather commonplace, and when the Williamses and others who came to the Blue Ridge were regarded with a bit of suspicion and damn yankee was still used as one word . . . But Charlie grew pensive when he noted the absences along the street . . . Bob Rivers, I. Dr. Jones, W. C. Coffey, Murray Critcher, J. M. Moretz, W. T. Blair, W. L. Bryan, and "nearly all the others I used to know," had gone away, and but few of the youth of the day remained to greet the former resident of the

CABINS ARE GONE "I just can't understand it," quoth our friend of the olden will be enrolled on July 1. days, "I have looked far and wide over the Watauga countryside and can't find even one rutty trails which passed for roads several decades ago." But our visitor was disappointed in noting the destruction of the forests, and the depletion of the Carlton Makes fish and game resources . . . he

had remembered great trees in dark cool forests, and darting Congress Bid trout in cold mountain streams, and wild game in abundance . Williams were amazed at the week. fine roads which penetrate the ours . . . tell us about it." . . And we started with Cam Morrison and wound up with Scott A story of progress which left our visitors even more amaz-

HIGH GRADE ORE

Queried about the successes of the prospecting forays up above Shulls Mills on the slopes of the Grandfather, Charlie stated that ore was found. worth \$350 per ton in gold, but that the mother lode couldn't be located . . . "Besides we always found bits of gold when panning in the streams . . . Should have brought in some seasoned hard-rock miners from Denver . . . For there's still pay ore in these hills." Caught in the fog. our visitors waited over a day or so for the fog to lift so they could tour the southern section of the Parkway, and see a bit more of the changes that had took place in the mountains, "since

PURELY PICAYUNE

Dr. Martin patiently pouring medicine by his vehicle along the street, as farmers, tell him of the ailments of the cattle . (Continued on page four)

Open House at Arts. James Mast Held In Fatal Crash; Building Next Week

Horn In The West" will be play-

ed by 10-year-old Jerry Mc-

Cracken of Boone and Carl "Ace"

Many other cast members are

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NCEA Meeting

Next Wednesday

this school session will be held

in the Fine Arts Building on the

College campus Wednesday even-

Mr. Gordon Nash will present

the College Music Department.

public school music program.

the music majors are invited.

Dies On Sunday

Dr. W. L. Stallings, 59, of For-

Dr. Stallings, a brother of B.

Funeral services were held at

Surviving are the widow, and

the Forest City Baptist Church

est City, died there Sunday even-

Dr. Stallings

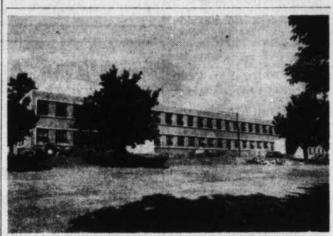
declining health.

receiving Masters Degrees, the

college branch of the ACE and

ing. May 7, at 7:30.

here Saturday.



APPALACHIAN ARTS AND MUSIC BUILDING

Jerry McCracken Gets Stellar 'Horn' Role

changes in Watauga since he lent on the slopes of the Grandfather. **David Horton To Enter West Point**



DAVID F. HORTON

David F. Horton, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Horton of Sugar Grove has been accepted at West Point Military Academy, and

Appointed to the Academy by Congressman Robert L. Doughton, Mr. Horton passed the en-"shack" or cabin . . . Those fine trance examinations, which were homes, and well-tended farms, held at Fort Bragg in March. He and fine cattle and sheep, are a is a graduate of Cove Creek High revelation to a guy who buggied School, and spent two years at and wagoned around over the Wake Forest College, where he

"But," he added sadly, candidate for Congress in the "those things, it seem, have to ninth district, made the first fall before the procession of local political speech of the preprogress." . . . Charlie and Mrs. primary campaign at court last ing following a long period of

The Rowan county Register of highland region. "You know in Deeds, spoke out in favor of the W. Stallings of Boone, and a na-New York, we think we have the Federal farm program, the Pro- tive of Franklin county, had rebest, your roads are ahead of ducting Marketing Administra- sided in Forest City for 30 years. tion, and urged adequate care and treatment of Veterans.

In closing he stressed his be- at 3:30 Tuesday and interment lief in a continuing defense pro- was in that city. gram, so that the nation may defend its democratic institutions.

a son, Kermit Stallings. Two Air Force officers said So-

The nation, despite some ecoviet jet plane production had nomic soft spots, enjoying prosout-stripped U. S. expectations.

Baptist Association To Meet Wednesday

will be held Wednesday, May 7, be discussed by Rex. West and at the Brushy Fork Baptist will be "The Christian Home," devotional by Lawrence Haga- up the club membership. Chapel Hill.

the program, which will open at caid. 10 a. m. with a song service conducted by C. J. Farthing, follow- address by Dr. Greer on "The \$50, Feeder Calf Sale \$25, High regrets that the college dining ed by the opening worship, by Christian Home,"

Rev. Grady Minton. "Family Devotion" will be con-

Mrs. Blanche Perry.

Following the noon recess the and the principal address will be man; "Discipline in the Christian association, will be in charge of by C. J. Farthing and C. H. Kin- the following gifts were made

Wade E. Brown of Boone is

chairman of the executive comducted by James Sherwood and mittee of the association. ---

Music Week Is Being Observed

PICTURES ON PAGES 1. 4. 7

Boone residents will be given in opportunity next week to attend open house ceremonies at the new fine arts building at Appalachian State Teachers college, and to attend a number of musical events and art displays.

The fine arts building was recently completed at a cost of more than \$400,000. The building is more than 280 feet long and two stories high, and includes auditorium, studios, display rooms, practice and rehearsal rooms, offices, classrooms - in fact, every facility for the most modern of music and art departnents. The rooms are painted in pastel colors especially chosen for the light exposure of each

The college will observe national music week beginning on Sunday, May 4, and ending Friday, May 9, and the art department is joining the music departmen in special programs for the week. All programs will be pre-

sented in the fine arts building. Sunday, May 4 at three o'clock Clark, student at Appalachian State Teachers College. Jerry in the afternoon there will be a will portray Jack as a boy durconcert by the Appalachian high ing the first scenes of the drama, school coral ensemble, Mrs. Elsic while in later scenes Clark will Erneston, directing. play Jack as a young man of 20.

Monday, May 5, at seven Announcement of the selection o'clock in the evening, there will of these two members of the cast, be a concert by the Appalachian was made by Kal Jurgensen, as- college choir, Mrs. Virginia Wary concert there will be open house West," following try-outs held sponsored by the music and art being chosen from the Boone be given in the choral room. Miss try-outs on March 19 and April Catherine Smith and Mrs. W. W. Williams will be sponsors of the Mr. Jurgensen explained.
 Persons selected for speaking parts will be officially notified

Tuesday, May 6, at seventon directing. Open house and art displays following the con-

Wednesday, May 7, seventhirty in the evening, concert by the octet and double octet,. Mr. Hoyt Safrit directing. There will condition. be a lecure and demonstration by Dr. Arnold Hollman, state supervisor of music. This pro-(Continued on page four)

an Octet and Double Octet from John T. King Dr. Arnold Hoffman, state advisor in Music Education, will discuss and demonstrate the total Heads V. F. W. The college senior class, those



JOHN T. KING

John T. King was recently elected Commander of Watauga Mountaineer Post No. 7031, succeeding Bill Murray.
Other officers elected were

Earl B. Payne, senior vice-commander; Stanley Houck, junior vice-commander; L. G. Flick, vice-commander; L. G. Flick, Quartermaster; Albert W. King. At Breakfast Post Adjutant; Stacy C. Eggers, Jr., Post Advocate; Ned P. Austin, Chaplain. Grant Ayers, Greer The Spring Session of the R. C. Eggers, and Reading Mater-Hodges and Joe C. Mast were Three Forks Baptist Association ials in the Christian Home" will elected trustees.

Murray has been given a citation-

during the past year: City recre-

lar on April 20, and brought be fore Superior Court last week on a manslaughter charge, has been continued to the fall court term, and bond was set at \$5,000.

Of a record docket of 214 cases, more than one hundred were disposed of, while 61 defendants failed to appear for trial. Eleven cases were continued.

Judge Hoyle Sink presided over the term, and following are judgments of the court:

Cecil A. Sharpe, 18-30 months in state prison for breaking and entering.

Henry Thomas Dougherty, 10 days in jail for driving drunk. Earl Teague, 4 months on roads

for driving drunk.

Arnold Shelton Pitts, 12 months on roads for driving drunk. Fred Broyhill, 6 months on

roads for escaping prison. John Henry Moretz, 3 to 5 years in state prison for breaking

and entering Conley Alvin Presnell, 18 to 30 months state prison, breaking and

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Clean Up Drive **Ends Today; Much** Yet To Be Done

The annual clean-up campaign, sponsored by the Boone Chamber sociate director of "Horn In The Linney direting. Following the of Commerce and the Town of Boone, officially came to a close on Wednesday, April 30, and departments. The reception will many improvements have been noted, particularly in the residential areas.

However, there is still much to be done in the business district, said Mrs. B. W. Stallings, chairthirty in the evening, there will man of the clean-up committee be a concert by the Appalachian All property owners on King high school band, Mr. Roy Blan- Street and other business sections are urged to continue the cleanup program until every useless building has been removed, every vacant lot cleaned up, and the rear of every place of business has been put in a neat and clean

It was also suggested that the opening of an extension from Faculty Row to the bus station corner would be a worthwhile improvement to the town.

Rummage Sale On Saturday

urday. Among the many articles for sale will be curtains, clothing, for sale will be curtains, clothing, a variety of flower plants and dishes—all in good condition.

College on May 10th dishes-all in good condition.

The sale will offer very fine values. It will be held in front of the Pastime Theatre Building. beginning at 8:00 a. m.

Lions To Elect **New Set Officers**

Daniel Boone Hotel Tuesday groups have been trained by Mrs. Salvo, Appalachian music stuevening May 6, at 7 o'clock.

Dr. R. H. Harmon and Dr. J. G. Martin are candidates for the presidency to succeed S. M. Avers, incumbent,

Dougherty Host

Dr. B. B. Dougherty will give the President's Breakfast for the senior class of Appalachian State Teachers college on the morning Outgoing Commmander Bill of May 16 at eight-thirty o'clock.
Murray has been given a citation. There are 177 candidates for from National VFW headquarters the bachelor's degree and 26

Church. The theme of the session program will be resumed with a for his excellent work in building candidates for the master's degree this year. There will be 406 The local organization has a parents, and with faculty mem delivered by Dr. I. G. Greer, of Home," by Victor Trivett and fine record of service to the var- bers of the college, high school Chapel Hill.

Mrs. Alfred Adams; and "Home lous worthwhile organizations of and elementary school, the numther the county, and announces that ber attending the breakfast is exthe county, and announces that ber attending the breakfast is excause of this large number, Dr. Supper \$30, Christmas Empty such an extent that he cannot

Registration Books Other Court News The case of James P. Mast, held as the driver of the car which as the driver of the driver of the car which as the driver of the car which



QUEENS-Miss Orlando Brown, of Boone, and Miss Sylvia Patrick of Blowing Rock who were chosen senior and junior queens, respectively, at the Lions Club talent show held in Boone Friday evening. (Photo by Palmer's Photo Shop).

Boone, Blowing Rock Share 'Queen' Honors

lachian High School, and Miss prize of \$3.00. Sylvia Patrick of the Blowing Rock elementary school were presented by the various schools crowned senior and junior queens, was Green Valley, which receivrespectively, in the annual Boone ed a rating of 44 on the new rat-Lions Club Talent Show, held ing sheet and was awarded a college gymnasium. Each receiv- honors with their skit titled

ed a beautiful trophy cup. of Blowing Rock placed third School with 35 points.

and received a prize of \$3.00. Miss Carolyn Norris of Green show received a certifiate of ap-Valley took second honors in the preciation from the Lions Club. junior contest, with a prize of Lion G. K. Moose was master of

Winner of first prize for acts

Friday night, April 25, in 'the beautiful trophy for taking first "Dusky Doin's": Close competi-Runner-up for senior queen tion was offered by the Rutherhonors was Miss Joan Brookshire wood schol with 41 points, the of Appalachian, who was award- Deep Gap school with 38 points, ed a prize of \$5.00. Miss Ann Lett and the Appalachian Elementary

Each child participating in the

\$5.00, and Miss Louise Shirley of ceremonies Luke's Episcopal Church will sponsor a rummage sale on Sat- May Day Exercises at

cises will be held at Appalachian Black Hawk Waltz, traditional State Teachers college on Satur- folk song, both by the Varsouday. May 10, at two o'clock in the afternoon. The event will the college choir. take place in the grove in front of the fine arts building at the will include Dixie Capers, tradi-

Joy Miller Kirchner of the physi- dent, sung by the college choir. cal education faculty who is in Portraits of the White Free-charge of the May Day. The col-man will include A Southern lege choir, also participating, is Polka, Chester Schottische, directed by Mrs. Virginia Wary Galopade, all traditional folk Linney, and the tumbling groups songs, with dances by the Var-Clay.

Portraits of the Southern by the college choir. Planter will include The Merry | The program will close with Widow Waltz with Ruth Foltz of the May Day Dance by Grainger, Winston-Salem doing the vocal done by the Varsouvianna Club. solo and the dance by the Var- The public is invited to this souvianna (folk dance) club; program.

The traditional May Day exer- | Colonial Minuet, Beethoven, The vianna Club; and Swanee River, arranged by Gardner, sung by Portraits of the Negro Slave

tional folk song, by the tumbling A new slate of officers will be elected by the Boone Lions Club at the meeting to be held at the Old South." The dancing Go Wid Me, composed by Giles

have been trained by Miss Gail souvianna Club, and will end success for the outdoor drama, with Oh Suzanna by Foster, sung

Sheep Shearing School Arranged

Everyone interested in learn- The State 4-H Sheep Shearing of sheep shearing is invited to attend the sheep shearing school

Tommy Osborne, district game protector.

Watauga County has had the may been designated as spawning areas, according to Tommy Osborne, district game protector.

Mr. Osborne says that Elk Adjournment will follow an adjournment will follow an address by Dr. Greer on "The Christian Home."

Adjournment will follow an tational fund \$66, Booster Club Dougherty states that he deeply at Statesville, 3½ miles west on first and Ben Norris placed secondaries by Dr. Greer on "The Christian Home."

School Band \$50, Booster Club hall capacity will be crowded to beginning at 10:00 a. m. Mr. Ed the state winner. Warner of the Sunbeam Corpora-Stocking Fund \$150, General relinvite other friends of the college tion, will assist us with our lief work \$200. to this affair.

Watauga County has had the to be held at Laruel Springs Up- State winner for the last three per Mountain Experiment Sta- years and National winners in tion Friday, May 2, beginning at 1949 when Clint Reese placed 10:00 a. m. and at the Gant Farm first and 1950 Bob Wilson placed

Fleet "war" on submarines.

New Voters Should Register

Registration books will be opened in the county's sixteen precincts for the May 31st primary at 9 a. m. on May 3, and will close at sunset on May 13, according to R. T. Greer chairman of the county board of elec-

Registrars will be at the polling places for three consecutive Saturdays, starting May 3 to register eligible voters who have come of age since the last county election or who have resided in a new precinct for four or more months and have not previously registered in the new precinct Voters who have moved to the county from out of State must have resided in the county for one year to be eligible to vote

The last Saturday before the primary, May 24th, will be the day of challenge. The Officials

Following are the names of the election officials. First in each instance is the Democratic Registrar; second, the Democratic judge, and third, the Republican

Bald Mountain township: Jerry Ragan, Bill Krider, Leslie Ra-

Beaver Dam: Clayton Vines, Orville Hagaman, Spencer War-Blowing Rock: Shuford Edmis-

ten, Thomas Coffey, Howard Hol-Blue Ridge: M. O. Coffey, Mrs.

R. C. Greene, George Keller. Boone: Howard Cottrell, J. D. Shoemake, J. E. Holshouser. Brushy Fork: Martin Herman,

Dallas Hodges, Ralph Wilson. Cove Creek: Sam Horton, Bert Mast, D. E. Church. Elk: Clay Hodges, Ward Car-

roll, V. C. Cox. Laurel Creek: Mrs. Dare Strother, Aud Ward, E. D. Fannon. Meat Camp: Chas. Hodges, Al-

bert Woodring, Howard Gragg. Meat Camp, no. 2: Horace Moretz, Ronda Ragan, Wade Moretz. New River: Grady Greer. Robert Shull, Barnard Cook.

North Work: W. C. South, Sam South, Jack Wallace. Shawneehaw: Fate Townsend,

Dale Michael, Henry Michael. Stony Fork: E. B. Hardin, Glenn Miller, Joe L. Coffey, Sr Watauga: Richard Olsen, Arlie

Harris Declines Permanent Job. In "Horn" Effort

Hodges, Stanford Coffey.

Mr. Stanley A. Harris, who has been acting as business manager of "Horn in the West" on a volunteer basis, has declined the offer of the position on a permanent pay basis.

Mr. Harris in his letter to Dr. D. J. Whitener, vice-President of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, cites his lack of technical knowledge and experience, his dislike of administrative duties, and his unwillingness to acept any position on

permanent basis. In'voicing a prediction of great Mr. Harris stresses his desire to cooperate in every way possible "other than actual management."

Stream Closed For Spawning

Two streams have been closed for the months of May and June. and have been designated as bass

Mr. Osborne says that Elk Creek is closed from the mouth of Laurel to the mouth of Dugger, that New River is closed from Todd down and North Fork from Sharp's Dam to the Virginia line.

If a farmer wants to get the best returns from his lambs, he Navy blimps help Atlantic has to keep them growing and gaining stadily.