

## KING STREET

BY ROB RIVERS

### BULL TRAVELS FAR

From far and near people are learning of the fine beef cattle which fatten on the hills and in the lush greenery of Watauga coves . . . To prove the point, B. W. Stallings recently sold a polled Hereford bull to a man in New Jersey, the transaction having been concluded by mail . . . When the deal was closed the man from Jersey drove down to Stallings' Diamond S ranch, at Poplar Grove, loaded up the bovine and happily headed back home.

### POLITICS WARMS

Frank Baird organizing county in behalf of Hubert Olive for Governor as first concrete sign that there's voting to be done the end of the month . . . Roby T. Greer, chairman of the county board of elections suggests that voters be sure their registrations are in order . . . Books are open two more Saturdays at the various polling places . . . Four different brands of beer reflected in empty cans in a little pile by the street, indicating that the imbibers had no particular choice in the matter, and wanted to try one or two of each number available.

### IMPROVED LIGHTING

City fathers to be congratulated on new street lights being installed, which make walking along the street at night a bit safer and more pleasant . . . Memory harks back to King Street's first lights—all three of them—big gasoline mantle lamps which were swung from high poles . . . One of the lights was in front of the courthouse, a second at the Critcher Hotel corner, and the third near the E. S. Coffey residence . . . The lamps were hung like a flag, so they could be lowered for lighting, and hoisted back in place by the long rope . . . Donald Boyden, we believe, was elected as chief lamp-lighter and faithfully put the burners to going each evening at dusk . . . The council believed that the beams from the big lights would fairly well meet through the town, and eliminate the necessity of carrying a lantern on every errand . . . The gasoline lights weren't used long . . . When they began to give trouble, they were soon discarded.

### ON THE SORDID SIDE

Unspeaking vulgarity penciled on a big sheet of packing board, which had been plunked down on the sidewalk in the heart of town . . . Groups using boisterous profanity which continues without let-up as women and children approach the loiterers, and nearby citizen declaring "we have the best, and kindest folks in the whole wide world . . . no doubt about it."

### PASSING PARADE

Jim Ragan, who has driven more laundry delivery wagons more miles than anybody else in this part of the country, smilingly going on his way, regular as a Big Ben . . . Vance Holland, capable administrator at Watauga Hospital, transacting business about the city . . . Bystander referring to neighbor as "nitwit No. 634" . . . Democrat and Republican agree that the county should have a "citizens' government"—composed of men of both parties—until such time as county governments as such are eliminated or cut down to a skeleton of their former selves . . . Jay Goodnight, Alfred Adams, and deponent, engaging in conversation on bank corner, ranging from religion and the lack of it, all the way to State politics and Governor Scott . . . Cecil Miller, Rachel Rivers and Eddie Rush talking about horses and horse trading . . . Business men predicting big business this summer, despite it's being election year, and the threat of a conservative government . . . The fragrance of the big lilac bushes in front of the Marvin Russells, and dogwood blooms wide open as farmers hurry to get their corn crops in the ground . . . The young fien, their fancies lightly turning, and their girl friends parked along the way, doing a mite of

### 'Horn' Offices Are Moved to Depot Street

The offices for "Horn in the West" are now located in the Winkler Motor Company building on Depot Street, in the space formerly occupied by the Economy Store. This ground-floor location, near the center of town, is being occupied by the business and publicity departments. In addition, it will serve as a downtown ticket office for the drama throughout the summer. Everyone interested in obtaining folders or other information about "Horn in the West" is invited to come by the office between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. on weekdays. The telephone number is 7.



NED AUSTIN

## Ned Austin To Star As Boone in 'Horn' Drama

Rev. Cecil Glenn Gets B. D. Degree



REV. CECIL GLENN

Rev. Cecil Glenn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Conley Glenn of Vilas, was among the 144 graduates receiving awards at the thirty-fourth annual commencement of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La., April 29. He was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

Mr. Glenn received his education at Cove Creek High School and Appalachian State Teachers College, and went to New Orleans in September 1949, at which time he enrolled in the seminary where he has pursued his studies in the field of theology.

He was a teacher in the Watauga county schools from 1933 until 1936. He then served as rural mail carrier at Vilas until 1944, at which time he enlisted in the United States Merchant Marines. After the close of the war he became affiliated with his father in the Cove Creek store at Sugar Grove.

In 1949 he answered the call to the ministry and was licensed to preach by the Cove Creek Baptist Church. The same church ordained him in August 1950.

Rev. Mr. Glenn is now pastor of the Hebron Baptist Church, Bush, La., where he was called last May. He and Mrs. Glenn and their sons, Johnny and Jerry, have been living on the field since that time.

## Baird Named As Olive Manager: The Committees

Mr. D. Frank Baird of Valle Crucis, has been named the Watauga County manager for the primary campaign of Hubert E. Olive, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, and Monday announced a complete list of township committee members who have been requested to work in the interest of the Lexington candidate.

Mr. Baird, who managed the campaign of Governor Scott in 1948, is the first local manager to be named by a candidate in the State primary, so far as is known.

### The Committee

Following is the list of Olive-for-Governor committeemen, as announced by Mr. Baird: Bald Mountain township: Russell Vagnoy, James Miller. Beaver Dam: Roby Vines, Jim Sherwood, Dean Reece, John Ward. Blowing Rock: Cecil Critcher, Howard Coffey, Miss Ellen Coffey.

Boone: Wiley Hartzog, Grady Tugman, Mrs. John Greer, A. J. Edmisten, Grady Moretz. Cove Creek: James Mast, Mrs. Odes Wilson. Blue Ridge: Niley Cook. Brushy Fork: Martin Harmon, Grady Bradley, Coy Billings.

Laurel Creek: Dwight Cable, Henry Hagaman, Tom Ward. Meat Camp: Wade Clawson, Finley Hodges, Will Winebarger. Meat Camp No. 2: Forest Moretz, Ronda Ragan, Sam South.

North Fork: Mrs. Delmar Mock Trade, Tenn. New River: Grady Farthing, Stewart Barnes, Walter Edmisten. Shawneehaw: Victor Farthing, Dale Michael.

Stony Fork: Jack Idol, E. B. Hardin, Clyde Moretz. Watauga: W. W. Mast, Clint Baird, I. D. Shull. Elk: Stewart Simmons, W. W. Randall.

## Saturday Singing Slated for 10th

The regular Second Saturday night singing will be held at the Stony Fork Baptist Church May 10, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Rex W. West, pastor, announced this week.

All singers in the area are cordially invited to attend and take part in singing.

## Health Clinic Is Open At Blowing Rock

The health department announces the opening of a new clinic in the county. Through the courtesy of the Board of Directors of the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce, the rooms in the rear of the Chamber of Commerce building are made available for this clinic.

The side door of the building should be used by those coming to the clinic for service. Other groups are aiding in the support of this clinic which will be held each Friday morning, beginning May 9 from 9:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m.

Decline seen in trade between Brazil and U. S. in 1952.

## M. W. Morrison Rites Are Held

Mr. M. W. Morrison, 42, resident of Shiloh township, Iredell county, and a brother of Mrs. W. W. Chester of Boone, died April 22, following a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted on the 24th from the chapel of Johnson Funeral Home in Statesville. Rev. C. L. Jackson of the Methodist church was in charge of the rites and burial was in Oakwood cemetery.

Mr. Morrison is survived by the widow, and one daughter, Miss Betty Ruth Morrison of the home. A brother, C. C. Morrison of Greensboro, and a sister, Mrs. W. W. Chester, of Boone. His mother, Mrs. E. B. Chester, also survives.

Those attending the funeral from Boone were Mr. and Mrs. Chester, Rev. J. T. Shackford, S. G. Tugman, and Austin E. South.

## McGuire Takes Job At Swofford's

Mr. Julian McGuire has been named to manage a new easy-pay budget department at Swofford's, 313 West Main Street, it was announced today by D. O. Ray, store manager for the local Goodyear and General Electric store.

Mr. McGuire has had several years experience in installment selling in Hickory and Boone. Originally from Fleetwood, he now lives at 419 Green Heights in Boone. He had been studying the Goodyear budget plan for the past four months before receiving his assignment to this new position.

## Watauga Lads Win State Sheep Shearing Awards

Glenh Reese and Bobby Jean Norris from the Bethel Senior 4-H Club, won first and second places respectively in the State 4-H Sheep Shearing Contest held at Statesville, last Saturday. Glenn scored 282 points and Bobby Jean scored 281.4 out of a possible 300.

Glenn is the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Asa L. Reese and is a member of the senior class at Bethel High School. Bobby Jean is the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Norris and is a junior at Bethel High School.

Three other boys from Watauga entered the contest and placed as follows: Larry Sherwood 5th, Clyde Austin 6th, Joe C. Robinson 8th.

## Finals Begin At Bethel High

Rev. J. H. Crisp, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the Seniors of Bethel High School Sunday, May 11, at 3 p. m., marking the first exercise of the commencement program.

The school chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Greene will sing. The public is cordially invited.

Student speakers will have charge of the graduation exercises on Friday, May 16, at 8 p. m. The topic for discussion will be "Challenges to the Youth of 52."

# College Completing Work On Two New Dormitories

## Vilas Man Sees Explosion Of Atomic Bomb



LEE E. PROFFITT

Camp Desert Rock, Nev.—Navy Hospitalman 3rd Class Lee E. Proffitt, 29, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Proffitt of Vilas, N. C., witnessed an atomic explosion last week, and then joined in the mock assault on an objective near the center of the atomic impact area.

He is among the 2,000 Marines taking part in the latest series of atomic tests at the Atomic Energy Commission Proving Grounds here.

The exercise includes training in operations employing the use of atomic weapons, the handling and use of equipment exposed to an atomic explosion, and the newest developments in physical protection.

The Vilas sailor is a member of a provisional battalion of Marines from Camp Pendleton, Cal., which along with another battalion from Camp Lejeune, N. C., was flown to this desert site to participate in atomic attack problems.

A veteran of World War II, Proffitt is presently assigned to the newly activated Third Marine Division.

## Foul Play Is Seen in Death of Lloyd Hunt, 37

Lloyd Hunt, 37 years old, resident of the Glendale Springs section of Ashe county, and a brother of Guy W. Hunt of Boone, died April 26 in the Ashe county hospital from injuries inflicted at the hands of persons unknown.

Mr. Hunt was found on a country road near the home, was suffering from chest and head injuries, and died shortly after reaching the hospital. Relatives believe he was either attacked or struck with an automobile. The deceased, however, had no enemies in the neighborhood as far as is known. State Bureau of Investigation officers are aiding the Ashe county Sheriff's office in an investigation of the tragedy.

Mr. Hunt, who was unmarried, and resided with his parents, was a veteran of six years service in the last world war, and was perhaps the first to volunteer his services from Ashe county, when the nation was attacked. He engaged in farming enterprises.

Funeral services were held on April 28 at the home by Rev. John W. Luke and Rev. J. K. Parker of Boone, and graveside rites were in charge of the American Legion at the Ebenezer Presbyterian Church cemetery. Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunt, Glendale Springs; five brothers and two sisters: Guy Hunt, Boone; John Hunt, Roanoke, Va.; Charles Hunt, Edwin and Wilmer Hunt, Mrs. Ruth Sheets and Miss Georgia Hunt, all of Glendale Springs.

## Jack Idol Elected Head Of Young Democrats

The first in a series of meetings to be sponsored by the Young Democratic Club of Watauga County was held at the courthouse in Boone on Friday night with a very good attendance from over all sections of the county.

Homer Brown of Boone was elected to serve as temporary chairman of the meeting. The first order of business was the election of officers of the club for the coming year. Those elected were as follows:

President, Jack Idol of Deep Gap; first vice president, Johnny P. Greene of Sugar Grove; second vice president, Mrs. Earleen G. Pritchett of Boone; secretary, Mrs. Bonnie Jean Rivers of Boone; and treasurer, Lloyd Hayes of Boone.

It was decided to have a convention membership drive. A prize of ten dollars in cash was offered by Mr. Roby Greer of Boone to the person who could secure the largest number of members. The membership fee is \$1.00.

The Young Democrats will sponsor a county-wide rally to be held in the courthouse at Boone on Friday evening, May 23. Every Democrat in the county is invited. The membership drive is expected to end on that night and the prize will be awarded then.

One project that the Young Democrats of the county are sponsoring is the registration of new arrivals in Boone, and of young people who are just now reaching voting age.

Jack Idol, president, extends a cordial invitation to every Democrat in the county to attend the meeting in the courthouse at Boone on Friday, May 23, at eight o'clock in the evening.

## Democrats Slate Co. Convention

W. R. Winkler, chairman of the Watauga County Democratic executive committee, has called a meeting of all Watauga County Democrats at the courthouse in Boone on Saturday, May 17, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of perfecting the county organization and naming delegates to the State convention to be held in Raleigh May 22.

The precinct meetings will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday, May 10, in the various precincts for the purpose of organizing and naming delegates to the county convention. A full attendance at these meetings is requested.

## Rites Held For Omar Baird

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Brushy Fork Baptist Church for Omar Arling Beard, 56, who died May 4 at his home in Sugar Grove. Rev. Saunders and Vance officiated.

He is survived by his widow, of Sugar Grove; two sons: Joe C. of Cleveland, O.; and William D. of Sugar Grove; one daughter, Mrs. Marie Farthing of Sugar Grove; two sisters and one brother.

## Modern Structures To Cost \$1,210,857

Appalachian State Teachers college is now completing two units in its present construction program, a dormitory for women and a dormitory for men.

According to the contractors, the women's dormitory will be ready for occupancy when the 1952-53 term opens on September 8. The contractors have stated that the men's dormitory may be ready on that date, but it is also possible that the opening of this dormitory may be delayed a week or so.

The women's dormitory will house 202 women, and the men's will take care of 375 men, two in each room. The two buildings, built by the same contractor, will cost \$1,210,857, and the equipment will cost an additional \$65,000.

Also under construction at present is a faculty apartment house to be built at a cost of \$273,282.

The architects are working on plans now for a new demonstration school, a physical education building, and an addition to the library.

These are all units in a \$3,500,000 program authorized by the State of North Carolina and now in progress at Appalachian State Teachers College.

## Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday

The Appalachian High School Baccalaureate service will be held at the First Baptist Church at 8 p. m. on Sunday.

Rev. E. F. Troutman, pastor of the Lutheran Church, will be in charge of the service. The program will be as follows:

Prelude—Allegro Moderato, by Merkel; processional—March, Justin; Invocation by Rev. J. T. Shackford; hymn—All Hail the Power by congregation; Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. J. K. Parker, Jr.; Choral Ensemble—Lord, Thou Art Mighty, Calinoff; Sermon—"Seniors, What Are You Looking For?" by Rev. Troutman; Hymn—Dear Lord and Father, congregation; benediction by Dr. John G. Barden; Lutkin Response by Choral Ensemble; recessional—Grand March, Verdi.

The music will be under the direction of Mrs. Elsie H. D. Erneston. Mrs. Graydon Eggers will be organist.

Graduation exercises will be held at the college auditorium on Saturday night, May 17, at 8:00 o'clock. Members of the graduating class will present the program.

There are fifty-five seniors graduating this year.

## R. D. Hodges Is Injured In Woodworking Machine

Mr. R. D. Hodges, Jr., suffered a seriously lacerated left hand a few days ago in a bench saw at his home shop here.

Four fingers were almost severed, but his physician believes they will be saved.

## Death of Rabid Dog Extends Quarantine

A dog became ill last Wednesday morning and died Thursday night, in the Bamboo section, of typical rabies, according to a report from the District Health Department.

Since this disease has infected the wildlife—foxes, skunks, etc.—throughout the Appalachian mountain area, stray and unvaccinated dogs may be attacked and so get the disease. If the sick dog bites a person, only a severe and somewhat dangerous series of vaccinations will perhaps save that person's life. Your cooperation is asked by the Health Department in reporting to the sheriff's office or the Police Department any stray dogs known to you.

A man died April 16 in Cumberland County, Tenn., because he was bitten by a stray dog that had come to his house. He was

tying the dog on March 8 when it bit him, two weeks after the dog had appeared at his home. The dog was killed the next day and the head never examined. No treatment was given the man and he became ill April 10 and died April 16. It was found by laboratory examination that he died of rabies.