

### Those Planning To Retire Soon Should Contact S. S. Board

"If you are a self-employed person aged 65 or over and plan to retire in 1952, you should contact the local social security office at once," says Louis H. Clement, manager of the local office.

"This contact may be to your advantage. Retirement benefits, based on self-employment income alone, will be reduced in amount if a claim is filed in 1952," added Mr. Clement.

The 1950 amendments to the Social Security Act provide that net earnings for the year in which a self-employed person files a claim will not be used in computing the benefit. Thus, if a self-employed person files a claim in 1952, his retirement benefit will be based on his net earnings for 1951, divided by 18. The divisor of 18 months is a requirement under the 1950 amendments.

"For example," continued Mr. Clement, "take the case of a local grocer. He has been self-employed for the past 20 years and has not been covered by social security until 1951. He had planned to turn over his business to his son and retire in April of this year, after he had earned the necessary six quarters of coverage after 1950. If he retires in April, his benefit will be computed on the basis of his net earnings for 1951, divided by 18. If he continues in business until January 1953, his benefit will be computed on the basis of his net earnings for 1951 and 1952, divided by 24. This might make a considerable difference in the amount of his benefit."

Mr. Clement points out that a claimant must make his own decision on when he wants to retire and file his claim for benefits. "However, if he will contact our office, we can point out the various advantages and disadvantages to him so that he will be able to make the most favorable decision," concluded Mr. Clement.

The Salisbury, N. C. social security office is located at 303 postoffice building.

### General News Brevities

Warner Brothers to make 27 movies in color.

June graduates' job prospects best in academic history.

Whisky warehouses overstocked with price cuts seen.

World productions rising less sharply, U. N. says.

Franco cheered as he tells Spain of U. S. aid.

Bradley calls for air and atom build-up.

Byrd warns of never balancing U. S. budget again.

Einstein solves a schoolgirl's puzzle in geometry.

Repairs to Wasp to cost the Government \$1,000,000.

### NEWS ABOUT OUR Servicemen

#### Mrs. Surrey Is At Health Dept.

Capt. Horton Gragg of Boone is among the 2,500 air force troops which are now en route to Europe to join General Ridgeway's forces.

The troops are on the W. G. Horn and the Horace Greely, which sail together from Newport News. The aircraft will be flown to England after the ships have sailed.

The air division, first to be ordered overseas, will become part of the forces under Lt. Gen. Lauris Norstad. The two wings raise to seven the number ordered to join the NATO forces by Tactical Air Command.

Capt. Gragg's family are at their home in Boone, but will join him in England at a later date.

#### At San Diego

Undergoing recruit training at the U. S. Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif., is Robert L. Isaacs, seaman recruit, USN, son of Clark Isaacs of Boone. Before entering the Navy, he attended Appalachian High School.

This initial training includes instruction in such fields as seamanship, fire-fighting, gunnery, signaling, and other courses designed to make the recruit well-versed in every phase of Navy life.

Upon completion of his 11-week training period at the center, Isaacs will be assigned duty station with the Fleet or at a Navy shore station, or will be sent to a service school for advanced technical training.

#### THEY'RE PALS

Long Beach, Cal.—When the cocker spaniel, named Patsy, which Jim Harris bought for his daughter, Charlene, disappeared, Harris purchased Toy, a collie, to help mend his daughter's broken heart. Toy also disappeared, but he came back, a few days later—with Patsy tagging along.

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### Society

#### Miss Warren Weds To Mr. Keyes

Miss Mary Joan Warren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Willard Warren of Lenoir, became the bride of Homer Donald Keyes, son of Mrs. James Ayrey Keyes of Lenoir and the late Mr. Keyes, in a ceremony of beauty and simplicity, Sunday afternoon at five o'clock in the First Advent Christian Church. The Rev. A. Corbin Kiser, pastor, officiated, using the double ring ceremony.

The vows were spoken before an altar arrangement of white gladioli and palms with seven branched candelabra holding lighted cathedral tapers. Prior to the ceremony, a program of nuptial music was presented by Dean Watters, pianist, Bowman Lackey, and Misses Joanne and Kathleen Cooke, vocalists.

The bride was given in marriage by her grandfather, J. Cephas Harris, and Ray T. Keyes was his brother's best man. Ushers were Jimmy Warren, brother of the bride and Tommy Keyes, brother of the groom.

For her wedding the bride wore a ballerina length gown of white embroidered organdy fashioned with a low scooped neckline, short puffed sleeves and matching elbow mitts. The fitted bodice came to a point at the waistline with a full gathered skirt. Her waistlength veil of imported illusion was caught to a Juliet cap of shirred illusion and orange blossoms. She carried a fan shaped bouquet of white roses centered with a white orchid.

Mrs. Henry Taylor of Valle Crucis, sister of the groom, was matron of honor, and Mrs. Cecil Crocogus of Lenoir was bridesmaid. Their dresses were fashioned similar to that of the bride and they carried miniature or-gandy umbrellas filled with sweet peas. Little Miss Marlene Edmisten, cousin of the bride, was flower girl. Her dress was also like the bride's and she, too, carried an organdy umbrella.

Mrs. Warren, mother of the bride, was attired in a dusty rose lace trimmed crepe dress with black accessories and a corsage of white roses. Mrs. Keyes, mother of the groom, wore a navy dress with navy accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

After the ceremony the couple received the guests in the vestibule of the church. Later they left for a wedding trip to Canada and after June 1 they will be at home with the groom's mother. For traveling the bride chose a beige silk shantung suit with navy accessories and the orchid taken from her bridal bouquet.

Mrs. Keyes was graduated from Lenoir High School and Mr. Keyes attended Happy Valley High School.

Out of town guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Grady Keyes, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thompson of Statesville, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor, Valle Crucis, Mrs. Charlie Tuttle and Miss Edna Tuttle and Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDougle of Maiden, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thomas of Charlotte, and Mrs. Ted Sloan of Asheville, and Mrs. Clyde Hightower of Morganton.

#### Engagement Miss Perry Announced

Columbus, Ohio—Dr. and Mrs. Claude Severence Perry, 2040 Upper Shelsea Road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia Elizabeth to Mr. John D. Bricker, son of Senator and Mrs. John William Bricker, 2407 Tremont Road.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Upper Arlington High School and is attending Ohio State University, where she is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

Mr. Bricker is a graduate of

### MATE SILENT 17 YEARS

San Jose, Cal.—Mrs. Mary Chew, 48, testified that the last words her husband said to her were "all right," spoken seventeen years ago and, since that time, he hasn't said a word to her, although they didn't separate until November, 1950. The judge granted her a divorce.

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Mrs. Beryl Surrey has been added to the personnel of the Boone office of the District Health Department replacing Mrs. Margaret Styers.

The health department feels very fortunate in being able to replace Mrs. Styers with a person so well qualified as Mrs. Surrey. Mrs. Surrey is a native of Gales, Ct. Britain, and had worked as a secretary for the Great Western Railroads before coming to this country. Since coming to America Mrs. Surrey has worked in the All Souls Hospital of Morristown, N. J. as a medical secretary.

Mrs. Surrey came to Boone in October 1951. She and her family live on Ray Hill just outside of Boone on Route 421. Mr. Surrey is Park Ranker of this section and their son David is four years old.

#### NEW "TOY" COSTS HAND

Parsons, W. Va.—Bobby Fox, 11, found a shiny object which gave out a pretty good whistle when he blew over the open end. Proud of his find, he played with it continuously, letting it out of his sight only one day when he allowed his 5-year-old sister to play with it. Then, he took it to school. Holding it under his desk, so the teacher wouldn't see, Bobby punched at one end with a nail. It exploded, tearing off Bobby's right hand at the wrist and causing serious abrasions around his stomach. The new toy was a dynamite cap.

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In 1933 he went to Congress and served three terms in the House and two years as United States Senator.

While A Member Of Congress Bill Umstead Worked and Voted For:

- The Soil Conservation Service.
- The Production Marketing Administration (Triple A).
- The Farm Home Administration (Farm Tenant Purchase Plan).
- The Rural Electrification Act.
- The Production Credit Associations.
- The Control Program.
- Agriculture Research.

North Carolina's Congressman, "Farmer Bob" Doughton, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee in Congress has endorsed Bill Umstead and praises his record in Congress in behalf of the farmer. Mr. Doughton says that North Carolina needs Bill Umstead for Governor.

Dr. Hugh Bennett, retired Administrator and the father of the Soil Conservation Service, adds his wholehearted support to the list of farm leaders supporting William B. Umstead for Governor and he says:

"William B. Umstead is one of the best friends that the Soil Conservation Service has ever had. I consider William B. Umstead one of the great Statesmen of our time and a tried and true friend of agriculture."

Mr. Umstead has publicly declared that he is definitely opposed to higher taxes.

Bill Umstead's personal life and public record shows his interest in the farm problems and his efforts in behalf of the farmer.

**HOW WILL YOU VOTE —**  
**For Bill Umstead With This Record or for Someone With NO Farm Record?**

